Guaranteed Bona-Fide, Every-Day Circulation Larger Than That Of Any Other Daily Newspaper Published in Wilmington.

OLDEST DAILY NEWSPAPER IN THE STATE.

THE MORNING STAR.

VOL. LXXII.---NO. 3. WILMINGTON, N. C., THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1903. WHOLE NO. 11,103

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year, by Mail,	$5.00
Six Months, "	2.50
Three Months, "	1.25
Two Months, "	1.00

Delivered to Subscribers in the City at 45 Cents per Month.

The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

District Attorney Coatsworth expects to wind up the inquest into the Burdick murder by noon to-day. —— British steamer at Delaware Breakwater, reports was in a collision with a four-masted schooner during a dense fog. —— Brig. Gen. Wood will sail in a day or two for the Philippines to assume command of the military department of Mindanao. —— A number of chiefs of divisions and clerks in the Postoffice Department will be given an opportunity to submit their resignations. —— The North Atlantic squadron will not visit Germany this summer. —— President Castro has withdrawn his resignation of the presidency of Venezuela. —— Maj. Gen. McDonald, of the British army, against whom charges of immorality have been made, committed suicide in Paris. —— Schooner Mary E. Morse sunk in a collision at sea with the steamer Parthian. ——Opera house at Toronto, Ont., burned; loss $150,000. —— Revolutionists have captured San Domingo city and two of the three war vessels of the government. —— The flood situation at Memphis is improving, but at Vicksburg and other points there is considerable apprehension. —— A grand reception was given Miss Alice Roosevelt in San Juan, P. R. —— McGovern and Corbett deny that their fight in San Francisco has been fixed for Corbett to win. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 5@6 per cent.; cotton quiet at 10.15c; flour was quiet and barely steady; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 78½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 57c.; oats—spot dull, No. 2, 42c.; rosin firm; spirits turpentine firm at 69@69½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, N. C., March 25.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 55 degrees; 8 P. M., 54 degrees; maximum, 65 degrees; minimum, 54 degrees; mean, 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 1.25 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. 50.05 feet and falling.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

Washington, March 25 —For North Carolina: Fair Thursday and Friday, light variable winds.

Port Almanac---March 26

Sun Rises	5.57 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.17 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. 19 M.
High Water at Southport	6.16 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	8.48 P. M.

Old China will spend $300,000 on her exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition, and China can make a very attractive layout when she wants to.

Arioch Wentworth, the Boston multi-millionaire who left his whole estate, less about $20,000, to found an industrial school, and cut off his daughter because he got mad at her husband, carried his industrial ideas rather to an extreme.

Jack Costa, an Italian gentleman, struck it rich in the Klondyke. He has claim on which twelve holes have been dug, and has in sight, according to Lieut. Gibbs, of the U. S. signal service, $2,000,000 worth of gold in sight.

A Japanese woman travelling in this country has come to the conclusion that American husbands are ordered around too much by their wives. That's what some of us thought, but we didn't think that outsiders were discovering it.

When Gen. Miles visited Boston recently he remembered that forty-five years ago he deposited $1.00 in a savings bank in that town. A reference to the books showed that his memory was correct. Some men never forget anything with a dollar mark hitched to it.

The first foreigner to become a citizen of the Republic of Cuba was George Reno, a nephew of the late Robert G. Ingersoll. He not only became a citizen of Cuba, but added to his name, if not his fame, and is now known as Jorge Renokinni.

One day last week they had a hot wave in Iowa, the like of which was never felt in March there, or anywhere else, in those parts. About the same time they had a snorting blizzard in Wyoming, the like of which they never felt before in March in those parts. This is a great country for various and multitudinous simultaneous climate.

It was reported some time ago that the Sultan of Jolo had died from cholera, and he jumped right up and said there wasn't a word of truth in it. Now it is said the Sultan of Maciu is dead from the cholera, and just as soon as he hears it no doubt he will jump up and deny it. They don't like to be looked upon as dead.

THE VEGETABLE MOVEMENT.

Solid Express Train Sent Out from Wilmington Yesterday—Early Spring a Boon to Truckers--Prices Good.

The Southern Express Company yesterday handled its first solid vegetable train out of Wilmington this season. It consisted of five cars principally laden with lettuce, one thousand baskets having been sent to Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York by East Wilmington truckers. It was expected that an additional thousand crates would be picked up between here and Goldsboro.

The lettuce season this year is said to be fully two weeks ahead of last and the prices have held up remarkably well. The quotations now range from $2.25 to $2.75 per basket and the quality is said to be fine. No finer weather up to this time could have been asked and growers are happy.

The acreage in this vicinity is some what larger than usual and is growing each year. The shipments yesterday morning for that reason were the heaviest ever handled by the Southern Express Co. from this point. Shipments are also made by the Seaboard train which leaves here at 4:30 o'clock each afternoon.

The strawberry season is very forward on account of the mild Spring and the movement this year will begin earlier than usual. The plants are all in fine condition and the quality of the fruit promises to be very fine indeed. Many of the schools in the strawberry belt are closing their terms early on account of the rush incident to the movement.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Other local, fourth page.

— Friends are asked not to forget the entertainment by the ladies in the annex to Grace M. E. church to-night. A programme of select music will be rendered and refreshments will be served.

— The schooner *W. S. Fielding*, hence for San Domingo with cargo of lumber, and the *Penobscott*, with a similar cargo for New York, passed out at Southport yesterday at 7 A. M. and noon, respectively.

— There is a dearth of city campaign news; nothing to relieve the monotony of the nightly caucuses held by the friends of the several candidates for the mayoralty. All the work just now is behind the scenes.

— Messrs. J. H. Rehder & Co. announce their annual Spring opening of French pattern bonnets, millinery novelties, Easter dress goods and silks for to-day and to-morrow. Hollowbush's Orchestra from 8 to 10 o'clock this evening.

— Mr. G. F. Fletcher, soliciting freight agent of the S. A. L. in this city, has resigned to take a position in the traffic department of the Riter-Connelly Steel Construction Co., of Pittsburg, Pa. He will begin his new duties April 1st.

— The sudden death of Mrs. Mary Winslow, widow of the late Francis Winslow, U. S. N., and daughter of the late Mrs. R. F. Brown, occurred in Washington City yesterday, presumably at the residence of her son, Lieut. F. Winslow, U. S. N., retired.

— Susan Bradley, colored, was committed to jail yesterday by Justice Fowler in default of bond to appear in the higher court and answer the charge of an assault with a deadly weapon upon Nancy Larkins, colored. The warrant at first charged only disorderly conduct and the more serious offence developed in the hearing.

Civil Service Examination.

The Civil Service Commission announces a special examination for the purpose of establishing a suitable register of eligibles for clerks and examiners. It is expected that a number of additional positions of this kind, provided by Congress for the United States Civil Service Commission, will be filled from this register on July 1, and the register will also be available for vacancies in the Department of Commerce and Labor and other departments and offices. Probably one hundred or more vacancies will be thus filled if eligibles with suitable qualifications are secured. This examination will be given on April 21. Persons who desire to compete should apply at once to the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., for application forms 304 and 305, which, when properly executed, should be promptly forwarded to the United States Civil Service Commission. Applicants should be careful to indicate in the applications the optional subjects desired.

Sewerage Company Injunction.

The hearing of the restraining order recently granted against the Wilmington Sewerage Company prohibiting it from cutting off the service from several original subscribers who refuse payment of the advanced rates, will be heard as to its permanency before Judge Peebles some time this week. It was expected that the case would be reached to-day, but that is hardly probable, as the court will likely be engaged all day in the Blizzard burglary affair.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Atlantic Trust & Banking Co.—Will draw interest.

Academy—"The Blue and the Gray."

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Board Wanted—By a gentleman.

BAKER-BASS KILLING.

Brother-in-Law of Deceased Tarboro Physician Makes Statement of Late Tragedy.

WHY THE FIGHT OCCURRED.

Dead Man Said to Have Been Exasperated by Certain Anonymous Letters in Which Reflection Was Made Upon Mrs. Bass' Character.

Regarding the intricacies which led up to the shooting of Dr. H. T. Bass by Dr. Baker, at Tarboro, a few weeks ago the Charlotte *Observer* of yesterday prints the following special from its correspondent in that city:

Tarboro, March 24.—Frank L. Dancy, brother-in-law of the late Dr. H. T. Bass, makes the following statement of the cause of the Bass-Baker tragedy:

"The assault made by Dr. Bass on Dr. Baker a few months ago grew out of a letter which Dr. Baker wrote to a patient of Dr. Bass. The Alice Powell matter was decided by the board of managers of the Pittman Sanatorium against the contention of Dr. Bass but he stated to me that he was satisfied that his friends understood his position in the matter and it was ended so far as he was concerned. There was no trouble of the slightest nature between them on this account. At a subsequent meeting of the board of managers of the Pittman Sanatorium angry words did pass between them but there was no personal encounter, though each made the motion of drawing weapons. Immediately after this Dr. Bass told me he would let that matter drop and if Baker took no further action about it he would not. These matters were all ended and nothing more was heard of them, so far as I know. The real trouble between them was this: Early in February it came to my knowledge, and between the 7th and 10th of February to the knowledge of Dr. Bass, that Dr. Baker had stated that he had received several anonymous letters, that he was showing them to people and alleging that Mrs. Bass was the author of them. These letters reflected upon the character of the writer. About a week before this Dr. Bass had heard from a detective of Norfolk that he had been hired by Dr. Baker to come to this town and discover a person alleged to enter the Pittman Sanatorium at night, that Dr. Baker had stated to him that he suspected the son of Dr. Bass. About the 15th I went to Dr. Baker, asked him about the anonymous letters and requested him to show them to me. He would neither admit nor deny that he had received them, but advised me not to push an investigation, insinuating that it would bring to light something awful and terrible. This made me more determined to get at the bottom of the whole matter in order to protect and defend the fair name of my wife's sister.

"After making all the investigation I could without any tangible result on the 12th of March, I requested Samuel S. Nash, a mutual friend of both, to go to Dr. Baker and ask him to let him (Nash) have the letters, so that Dr. Bass and myself might inspect them, stating to Mr. Nash that I felt absolutely sure that if it could be proven that Mrs. Bass wrote them the matter would be dropped and Dr. Bass would throw around his wife the necessary safeguards. On Friday, the 13th, I asked Nash if he had seen Baker and he said he had and that Baker said he would think about it. The following day, Saturday, I again asked Mr. Nash if he had seen Baker. He said he had, and that Baker said he had heard nothing from him. Dr. Bass was aware of all these negotiations and approved of what I was doing to aid him and at the same time he was making an investigation himself.

"On Monday, the 16th, the tragedy occurred. In my opinion the tragedy was caused by Dr. Baker's course in regard to these anonymous letters and the other matters were only cumulative, having no direct or immediate bearing upon what happened on the 16th. Dr. Bass was a man of noble and chivalrous nature, passionately attached to his wife. Baker's procrastination and delay in regard to the exhibition of these letters was exceedingly exasperating to him when the fair name of his wife was at stake. Baker's conduct in this matter was the cause of the attack by Bass, which would never have taken place if the former had been candid and fair. I will ask any fair-minded man, 'What would you have done under the circumstances?'"

To Establish Prohibition Paper.

The membership committee of the Anti-Saloon League met last night at the Y. M. C. A. and discussed more particularly the feasibility of establishing a State organ to aid in shaping public sentiment toward the abolishment of the whiskey traffic. A few new members were added to the lists and Mr. S. F. Thompson spoke at length, stating that the ladies of the W. C. T. U. had worked for temperance in this city for the past twenty-one years and had accumulated funds, but owing to there being no real interest at present among the men in regard to furthering strict prohibition, they had forwarded part of the funds to Raleigh to Mr. J. W. Bailey and part to the State Secretary of the W. C. T. U.

New Telephone Switchboard.

Yesterday the installation of the new switchboard for the Bell Telephone exchange in this city was begun by Messrs. T. C. Moffatt and C. Meissner, of New York, representing the Western Electric Co. They have with them six expert electricians to assist in the work. The switchboard is of the most approved manufacture and model and is being placed on the second floor of the company's handsome new building, near Second and Princess streets.

Midshipman for Naval Academy.

Hon. G. B. Patterson, of Maxton, writes that there will be an examination in that town on April 7th for the selection of midshipman for the U. S. Naval Academy. Mr. Patterson says he is sorry that he cannot give longer notice but he has just been notified of the fact that he was entitled to an appointment.

NEGRO WOMAN BADLY BURNED

Rushed Into Street, at Second and Brunswick, Her Garments in Light Blaze. She Will Probably Die.

At Second and Brunswick streets yesterday evening about 6:30 o'clock the community was alarmed and horrified at the sight of a colored woman, who, screaming at the top of her voice, rushed out of her house with her garments in a light blaze and the flames lapping around her body. She proved to be Ann Eliza Holmes, aged 50 years, who lives with her sister on Second between Hanover and Brunswick streets. How she caught fire was not known to the crowd of a hundred or more which gathered about the scene after the flames had been extinguished by tearing off the blazing garments and wrapping the suffering woman in a blanket.

Deputy Sheriff Harvey Cox, who was in the vicinity summoning witnesses for court, was among the first to hear the agonizing shrieks and to rush to the woman's assistance. He at first saw her run from the house in a blaze and his first impulse was to turn in a fire alarm, but a second thought prompted him to attempt to save the life of the burning victim. That he assisted in doing as indicated and a little later he telephoned for the patrol wagon in which the woman, wrapped in blankets, was transferred to the Hospital. She was found by Dr. Akerman, surgeon in charge, to have been badly burned all over the body, with the exception of her hands and face. At a late hour she was not expected to live through the night.

The woman is subject to epileptic fits and the popular theory is that while about the fire in her house, she had an attack and fell on the hearth, afterwards gaining her feet and rushing into the street.

A telephone message from the hospital this morning said that the woman died at 2:30 A. M.

CUMBERLAND SUPERIOR COURT.

Illness of Judge Cooke's Daughter Calls Him Home—Railroad Cases.

By consent of members of the Fayetteville bar yesterday morning, all cases on the calendar for trial at this term of Cumberland Superior Court, except those set for Monday, were continued in order to permit Judge Cooke to leave for his home in Louisburg to-night, on account of the serious illness of his daughter. The case in hearing yesterday was that of Nancy J. Kelly, adm'r, vs. A. C. L. R. R. Company. This is an action for $5,000 damages for the death of the plaintiff's husband, who was run over and killed by a shifting engine at Sanford.

The Fayetteville *Observer* says the most important case set for trial this term, and which is continued, is that of A. H. Slocomb vs. S. A. L. R. R. Company for $240,000 as a penalty for failure to receive freight as prescribed by law. Major Jno. D. Shaw, of Rockingham, attorney for the Seaboard Air Line, and Mrs. Calvert, of Raleigh, who was to act as official court stenographer in the case, returned to their respective homes yesterday.

Chamber of Commerce.

A special meeting of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday, upon which President Chadbourn and Messrs. Malloy, McNair and Boney were in attendance. Messrs. J. H. Rehder & Co. and M. W. Divine & Co. were elected to membership in Class B at $25 per year. Upon motion it was ordered that a vote of thanks be extended to the Board of Aldermen and Board of Audit and Finance, of the city, and the Board of County Commissioners, of New Hanover, for their very substantial donation to the advertising booklet which the Chamber will shortly have published. The executive committee adjourned to meet next Monday at 8 P. M. to take in consideration the preparation of matter for the edition.

Remains Sent to Burgaw.

The remains of young Mr. J. Lee Moore, whose death occurred at the James Walker Memorial Hospital after an operation for appendicitis, were taken yesterday morning to his old home near Burgaw, N. C., for interment. They were accompanied by the young man's grief-stricken parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Moore, of Burgaw, and the following young gentlemen friends of the deceased who acted as a funeral escort: Messrs. R. G. Grady, J. D. Edwards, W. R. Taylor, Jno. R. Hanby, Jr., B. S. Shepard and E. E. Dailey. The funeral was conducted at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon by the Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The floral tributes by friends in Wilmington were many and very pretty.

Yacht "Courier" Coming.

Mr. B. F. Keith, the noted theatrical man of Boston, accompanied by Mrs. Keith and party of friends, who have been in Florida for several months, are expected to arrive in Wilmington this morning aboard Mr. Keith's handsome pleasure yacht, *Courier*, which was reported as having sailed from Georgetown yesterday, in a private telegram to Mr. B. F. Keith, of this city, a personal friend of the distinguished Bostonian. Mr. Edward W. Filene, one of Mr. Keith's Boston friends, arrived in Wilmington yesterday by rail to join the party here. Mr. Keith and wife, of Boston, are pleasantly remembered by many Wilmingtonians, they having spent several weeks here on their way South two months ago.

THE SUPERIOR COURT

Negroes Confessed Recent Atlantic Coast Line Robbery at Castle Haynes.

BURGLARY CASE SET TO-DAY.

Blizzard Will Be Put on Trial for His Life—Hunch Hullen, Youthful Criminal, Received Four Years for Entering City Residences.

Only a few cases were disposed of in the Superior Court yesterday but all of them were of more or less importance. The morning session was principally taken up with a trial of Hunch Hullen and Wash McNeill, the colored youths arrested by Constable Savage several weeks ago charged with entering a number of residences in the city and stealing therefrom various articles, including several gold watches, a pocket book containing an amount of money, hats, etc. McNeill was represented by Herbert McClammy, Esq., and succeeded in establishing his innocence to the satisfaction of the jury. Hullen was less fortunate and was sentenced to four years on the county roads. His attorney, Brooke G. Empie, Esq., made motions to set aside the verdict and to grant a new trial but Judge Peebles overruled them both, whereupon an appeal was taken to the Supreme Court. Notice of appeal was waived and the defendant was required to give a bond of $200, defaulting which he was remanded to jail until the November term of court in this city.

The afternoon session was taken up with a trial of the negroes charged with the robbery of goods from Atlantic Coast Line cars in the vicinity of Castle Haynes last December and January. The case was worked up by A. C. L. Detective H. Y. Scarboro and the arrests were made by Constable M. G. Chadwick, of Cape Fear township. Solicitor Duffy was assisted in the prosecution by Mr. Junius Davis, attorney for the Coast Line. The principals in the case were Charles Sinclair, Walter Williams and Thos. Harrell, who have been in jail for a month or more. The last named defendant was represented by William J. Bellamy, Esq., who contended against a consolidation of the cases, at least in so far as his client was concerned. Upon this demand the prosecution said that it would be willing to enter a nol pros as to Harrell, and he was discharged. The other two principals in the case said that they had no attorney; that Harrell was not implicated and they would plead guilty to all the charges except the one which charged them with a separate offence in December. They frankly said that they had secured all the goods on the night of Jan. 15th. Judge Peebles reserved a sentence in their cases until this morning, when they will be brought out first thing and made known the consequences of their evil doing. The authorities are of the opinion that the two negroes had a valuable confederate in the robbery, but all efforts to get them to disclose his identity have been without effect.

The real struggle in the whole affair came in an attempt by the prosecution to convict the mother of one of the defendants and a relative of the other of the charge of receiving the stolen goods, knowing them to have been stolen. The defendants were Anice Williams, who was represented by Marsden Bellamy, Esq., and Annie Harrell, who was represented by A. J. Marshall, Esq. A number of witnesses were introduced from which the whole story of the robbery was obtained. The goods were consigned for the most part to Mr. M. Braddy, of the Paris Millinery Store, on Market street, and they were identified by him after their recovery from the house of the two women near Wrightsboro. Other goods were identified by Mr. J. Weil, on Market street, and Detective Scarboro and Constable Chadwick told how they had found the goods at the houses of the defendants and that the negroes who had just submitted were arrested down by a swamp near the house and were found engaged in burying other goods that had been stolen. Capt. Landon C. Jones, conductor of the train from which they were stolen, related that the car from which they were taken was left on the siding at Castle Haynes while the engine and other cars were run up the spur track at that point for the purpose of bringing down road material for the county work; that he had examined the car from which the goods were taken and it was securely fastened as far down the road as the next station above Castle Haynes; that when the train reached Wilmington, the goods were missing. Other A. C. L. employes testified to having checked up the freight in this city and of having found the goods missing. The property stolen consisted of a large amount of dress goods in original packages, silk skirts, shoes, hats and cigarettes to the value of about $300. Much of the material was brought into court yesterday and piled in front of the jury. The case was concluded at 6 o'clock and a verdict of not guilty as to the women was brought in about twenty minutes later.

Gus. Hill, the colored A. C. L. fireman charged with the larceny of saws and other tools from the shops of the company in this city, came into court during the afternoon and the forfeiture of his bond for non-appearance on Tuesday was stricken out. The defendant then pleaded guilty through his attorney, Marsden Bellamy, Esq., and having established a previous good character, he was let off upon payment of a fine of $25 and costs.

This morning the court will begin the trial of A. F. Blizzard, white, charged with burglarizing the houses of ex-Policeman William B. Brown, Andrew J. Walker, colored, and others about a month ago. The prisoner is in jail and a special venire of 75 men has been summoned from which to select a jury. The defendant is represented by Herbert McClammy, Esq., and Clyde Allen, Esq., of Bladen county. To-morrow the other burglary case, for which another special venire of 75 has been summoned, will be taken up. Allen Jones is the defendant and he will be represented by Geo. L. Peschau and B. G. Empie, Esqs.

Court met at 10 o'clock and the sheriff returned the talesmen ordered summoned for the day with the exception of J. H. Alford, Jno. D. Russ and Robert L. Sanford, who were not found. Excused by the judge: F. T. Mills and W. H. Bernard. Unimportant cases were disposed of as follows:

Primus Johnson, carrying concealed weapons; judgment nisi sci. fa. and capias stricken out and defendant recognized until next criminal term.

George Pigford, larceny; continued by consent.

Son Lucas, larceny; verdict not guilty.

Hunch Hullen and Wash McNeill larceny; cases consolidated; verdict guilty as to Hullen, not guilty as to McNeill; Hullen sentenced to four years on county roads; appeal taken.

DEPUTY HELD UP A STREET.

Jurors Anxious for Dinner Got Away Yesterday, But Were Recalled.

A street full of people hurrying home to dinner from the Court House and their places of business down town were brought to a standstill yesterday about 2 o'clock by the sight of a deputy sheriff in the vicinity of the jail, bare-headed, wildly gesticulating and calling to some one or many to come back. Some thought there was a jail delivery; others less sensational were of the opinion that it was a good business transaction they were likely to lose, and all trooped back to the excited deputy.

The cause was easily ascertained. A jury had come in after court had taken a recess for dinner and Judge Peebles had inadvertently received the verdict without the presence of the defendant in court. He discovered his error just after the jury had been allowed to depart for the mid-day meal and it was in an effort to corral them again that the deputy rushed out in obedience to orders and literally "held up" the street. When court convened after dinner Judge Peebles admitted his mistake, but fortunately every juror was again back in his seat, repeated their verdict in the presence of the defendant and no harm was done.

INCREASING ITS ELECTRIC SERVICE

New Turbine Engine for C. R., L. & P. Co. Trolley System to Be Improved.

The powerful turbine engine for the Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co., which will furnish the "modus operandi" for the entire system, arrived yesterday and an expert from the Westinghouse Electric Co. will be here in a few days to install it. It is the only engine of its kind in the South and one of the finest built.

Before the Summer season is fairly on the entire trolley circuit in the city will be re-wired and new poles will be put up, thus very materially increasing the efficiency of the service. Four miles of new wire have been ordered and a contract has been let for new poles for installation where they are at all needed.

Ladies Interested in Temperance.

The W. C. T. U. met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the lecture room of the First Baptist Church. The theme for the evening was "Truth," and was given out as a guide to mothers for instructing children for truthfulness and explaining how often in infancy their thoughts were ruined by making them false promises or letting them catch their mothers in stories. Mrs. S. F. Thompson read a poem entitled "Cup." "A Teachers' Story" was rendered by Miss Bessie Hankins, and by request Mrs. Blair led in prayer. Refreshments were then served by the ladies to a good number present. Mrs. J. M. Loftin beautifully sung "A Wife's Appeal to a Drunken Husband." The organization sent some of its funds to the Francis Willard Memorial Fund, and other funds to J. W. Bailey. The ladies had read to them a newspaper clipping on the New York State prohibition movement.

Attacked by Dogs.

A little 8-year-old son of William Evans, a well known colored drayman, was attacked by a bull terrier and another dog at Eighth and Wooster streets Saturday and was severely bitten through the fleshy part of the thigh and other parts of the body. The dogs set upon him without cause and had the child down when his father came and drove the canines off. The boy has been laid up ever since under the care of a physician. The matter has been reported to the police authorities, with what result is unknown.

Judge Peebles Will Preside.

Judge Robert B. Peebles, recognized as one of the ablest judges on the Superior Court bench of North Carolina at the present time and who is holding court in Wilmington this week, will preside at the July term of Wake Superior Court when Ernest Haywood will be tried for the murder of Ludlow Skinner at Raleigh. The trial will start on July 16th, when a special venire will have been called by Judge Peebles. Judge Justice is at present on the district embracing Raleigh.

500 Tons Hard Coal

Just Arrived Per Schr. "John R. Fell."

500 Tons Grate and Stove Coal.

You can now avoid the annoyance of using smoky soft Coal in your Stoves and Furnaces. Then for use in open fires we handle the only high grade JELLICO COAL in lumps. This is a clearly established fact.

For Wood

We have all that is good and cheerful: Oak, Ash, Lightwood, all cut to measure.

If it is fuel you want send to us every time and you will make no mistake.

J. A. Springer & Co.

feb 22 tf

DEPOSITS MADE ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1ST WILL DRAW INTEREST FROM APRIL 1ST.

ATLANTIC TRUST AND BANKING CO.,

16 Princess Street, Wilmington, N. C.

MATT J. HEYER, President. E. H. J. AHRENS, Vice President. MITCHELL P. ALLEN, Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

L. B. Rogers, J. G. L. Gieschen, E. H. J. Ahrens, B. Solomon, Martin O'Brien, R. R. Bellamy, John H. Kuck, I. M. Bear, C. W. Yates, D. McEachern, Matt J. Heyer. mr 26 tf

FURNITURE! FURNITURE!!

ON TOP WITH QUALITY, AT THE BOTTOM WITH PRICES

Liberal terms to the right people,

N. F. PARKER,

The Cheapest Furniture Store in North Carolina.

mr 22 tf

A New Interest Quarter

Begins at this Bank on April 1st.

Money deposited now will draw 4 per cent. per annum from that date, and receive a full quarter's interest on July 1st.

We respectfully solicit your business.

The People's Savings Bank,

Opposite the Postoffice.

H. C. McQUEEN, President. JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, Vice President. mr 20 tf F. W. DICK, Cashier.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. H. I. McDuffie, of Fayetteville, is in the city.

— Mrs. J. W. Taylor, of Hahira, Ga., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. S. Holden.

— Mr. Thomas J. Gore continues seriously ill at his home in this city, his friends will regret to know.

— Mr. A. A. Lisman, of New York, president of the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company, returned to Fayetteville yesterday morning.

— Commander Robert Platt, of Washington, D. C., and daughter, Miss Harriet D. Platt, are visiting Mrs. L. H. Burnett, on South Front street. Miss Maggie Platt, who has been visiting them for several months returned with them.

Piano Recital at Atkinson, N. C.

The Excelsior High School of Atkinson, N. C., Rev. J. J. Payseur principal, has arranged to have Mr. James Charles Craft give a piano recital there on to-morrow night. Miss Ola Mitchell has had a very flourishing music class in connection with the school for some time, and will continue it after the close of the High School term, which has been cut short by the early Spring and call of many of the students to the strawberry fields.

Liquor Movement in Statesville.

The Charlotte *Observer* remarks editorially: "The Morally Stunted were completely overwhelmed in the prohibition election in Statesville last week, and that is a funny situation the *Landmark* pictures as having grown out of the election. As the Pure in Heart have lined up at the counter since and asked for their usual allowance of sowpaw, the barkeeps have said No, and turned them thirsty away. It is tough, my masters, but it demonstrates that there are lots of people who don't propose to be prohibited themselves, but who only 'want to prohibit Old Jones.'"

On account of the usual great rush J. H. Rehder & Co. request us to state, that those attending their opening to-night will confer a favor by entering through the Millinery Dept. Everybody welcome.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

To the Voters of Wilmington.

I respectfully announce that I am a candidate for re-election to the Mayoralty.

A. M. WADDELL.

March 14, 1903. mr 15 tf

LOST

time and money is the case invariably where imperfect drainage exists. Our improved sanitary sewerage system gives the best results at the smallest cost.

The Wilmington Sewerage Co.

mr 23 tf

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

One Week, Commencing, Monday, March 30th.

The Arnold Stock Company.

OPENING BILL,

"THE BLUE AND THE GRAY."

Special scenery and mechanical effects.

LADIES FREE.

According to the old familiar custom ladies will be admitted free Monday night, March 30, when accompanied by a person holding a paid 20 cent ticket purchased before 6 P. M. of that date.

Seats on sale Saturday at Plummer's.

Prices—10, 20 and 30 cents.

mr 23 3t th fr su

Martin's Cheese.

118 Martin's Pic-Nic Cheese.
98 Barrels P. R. Molasses.
420 Dozen Table Syrup.
28 Barrels S. H. Molasses.
416 Bags Wheat Bran.
980 Barrels Va. Meal.
1,480 Bushels Corn.
1,820 Bushels Oats.
422 Bales Timothy Hay.
209 Bales Peavine Hay.

W. B. COOPER,

308, 310 and 312 Nutt Street,

mr 25 tf Wilmington, N. C.

VOTERS OF WILMINGTON.

I announce myself a candidate for Alderman from the First Ward, subject to the Democratic primary.

mr 17 tf. W. H. COLEMAN.

WANTED.

Thirty-five or forty horse-power Portable Saw Mills. Will buy, or rent them by the month, or pay by the thousand.

Address BOX 495,

mr 22 1w* Wilmington, N. C.

NOTICE.

All parties having Cypress and Oak Railroad Ties to sell will do well to call on Hall Tie and Lumber Co., at 203 Water street, Wilmington, N. C., or Petersburg, Va.

HALL TIE AND LUMBER CO.

By J. W. HALL, President and Treasurer.

mr 13 1m

Secure a House!

I HAVE FOR SALE

Dwellings and Vacant Lots

in any part of the city desired. Cash or time payment to suit buyer.

D. O'CONNOR,

Jan 6 tf Real Estate Agent.

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 26.

NONE OF YOUR PETTY CRUMBS.

That's what Bishop Derrick, of the African Episcopal church, of New York, said in a mass meeting of negroes a few days ago. He wasn't talking of the Charleston Crum but of the Hanna ex-slave pension bill.

It was a meeting called to raise funds for Morris Brown College, a negro school in Atlanta. There were speeches made by Bishop Derrick (who is a sort of oratorical lifter) and Rev. D. D. Stinson, commissioner of the Atlanta College, and a letter was read from Dr. Parkhurst. In the course of his remarks the bishop hit Mark Hanna's ex-slave pension bill, (which Mark says was introduced "by request") a dab thus:

"That proposition was an insult. Give us the Blair Education bill and we'll take it gladly. It's what we want, but this pension bill—why, there's nothing in it! It's a sop! If it was a law, whenever a black man went to draw his pension they'd remind him that he'd been a slave. We don't want to be told what we were—what we are interested in is what we are.

"I tell you that the men who offered that pension bill made a mistake when they done it; they sounded their death knell. The black race wants none of your petty crumbs like the slave pension bill."

"This sentiment," the reporter informs us, "elicited a chorus of loud amens."

How does Hon. Mark Hanna like that after doing the grand stand act to play to the negro that Hon. Theodore Roosevelt had been angling for with Charleston Crums, Indianola postoffices and Boston octoroons? It wasn't what he anticipated to be thus told that his bill was an "insult to the race," "a sop," and that he "sounded his death knell" when he "done it," when he confidently believed he was making a ten strike with the Afro-American legions.

While the bishop seems to have caught on to the true inwardness of the bill, all the negroes are not endowed with the same intuitive power, for there are thousands of the unsophisticated brethren in the South who threw up their hats when Mark introduced that bill and thought they saw the pensions coming right along their way, and they held several mass meetings, too, lauded their friend Mark and resolved that he was their candidate for the Presidency. But they were not as sagacious as Bishop Derrick and couldn't see through an inflated bladder as easily as he can.

He sizes up that scheme about right if he does get on stilts and put on some strutting airs when he waves the thing aside as "an insult" and informs Mr. Hanna et al, who are playing thus for the colored brother that he doesn't want any of those "petty crumbs." We are under the impression, however, that the bishop would discover how much mistaken he is about those crums if the bill were to pass and he saw the black folks who could come in for the crumbs tumbling over each other to get them. There is a magnetic attraction in pensions that draws. It has drawn about a round million of names to the soldiers' pension list, and there would be very few of the colored brotherhood and sisterhood who could crowd in that would fail to get upon the pension roll, whether it be "an insult to the race," as the bishop calls it, or not. But he understands the methods of some, at least, of the politicians. He might have incidentally and prophetically remarked while he was about it that this bill would go to sleep in one of the pigeon-holes to which such fakes are committed, as similar bills have been doing for ten years since the pioneer of this kind was introduced.

He was followed by Rev. D. D. Stinson, Commissioner of the College, who talked sense and among other things said:

"We are solving our problem while others are going about the country talking about this fool thing and that fool thing. The negroes are an infant race, but our time will come if we are patient. If the colored and the white people of the North will help us, we'll solve the problem all right, and not by shot and shell, either."

This man, who is an educator of negroes, talks sense and in doing so administers a rebuke to "others who are going about the country talking about this fool thing and that fool thing," a pretty pointed way of telling the negro rights agitators in the North that they are on the wrong track and are making fools of themselves. He believes they can solve the problem with encouragement from people who are true friends of of the negro and solve it in a different way from that advocated by incendiary Hayes, of Richmond, without "shot and shell" or knife or torch. They must "be patient," he tells them, struggle onward and upward. That's better, more sensible and safer than arousing their passions, working them into a state of desperate excitement, making them believe there is no hope for them and no future if the white man rules.

It is somewhat remarkable that when it comes to discussing the race problem the negro educators of the South, with rare if any exceptions, discuss it from a conservative, sensible standpoint, in striking contrast to the negro leaders in the North, who pursue directly the opposite course and discuss it from the firebrand standpoint.

After he closed his speech a letter was read from Dr. Parkhurst, in part as follows:

The question of the education and elevation of the negro is one which every earnest man, especially if he be a Christian, is called upon to face. We cannot, as patriots, afford to have in our midst a great body of poor, ignorant and unchristianized people, either black or white. The negro question is therefore a question for North, South, East and West, and not one for the South alone. The negroes, however, must always remember that in the matter of their education and elevation the greater part of the work will have to be done by themselves. The whites will guide them, but the whites are not going to carry them.

The valuable suggestion in this is that the negroes must, in their efforts at education and self elevation, and will have to depend mainly upon themselves, and that while white people will guide them they are not going to carry them. When they get that through their skulls there will be less foolishness on the colored side of the fence.

WHY VICK WAS BOUNCED.

The Wilson post office squabble has ended in the bouncing of Postmaster Vick, colored, and the appointment of H. T. Person, white, as his successor. This has been foreshadowed for some time and hence the announcement of the bounce does not come as a surprise.

The reason assigned, however, may come somewhat in the nature of a surprise to those people who took President Roosevelt for a civil service reformer who did not believe in the spoils system as a part of the governmental machinery. Vick seems to have stood the test as to efficiency and faithful service, and from the endorsements he received from the people he served they didn't seem to have any objection to him, although they, no doubt, did not like his color.

But all this did not figure in the case, because it is given out that "after careful investigation the department came to the conclusion that Vick had not supported the Republican ticket and had consequently forfeited his claim to party recognition." This was the "lily white" ticket that Pritchard put up which thousands of negroes in the State refused to support, and which no negro with any sense of self respect could support.

Didn't Gen. Clarkson, who posed as the spokesman of the President, speaking for him, tell the negroes of this State in his letter to the Secretary of that negro anti-Pritchard convention at Raleigh that drawing the color line as Pritchard had done was an insult to the manhood of the Republican party and a trampling upon the principles of the party? And now Vick is punished for doing the very thing that Clarkson's letter encouraged him to do, that is rebuke the men who he (Clarkson) said were putting the party in a false position and ignoring one of its fundamental principles.

Logically this reason for Vick's turning down means that Federal office holders, white and black, must have no opinions of their own, nor judgment of their own, but must be dumb and submissively obey the bosses by supporting any ticket they may see fit to name, whether it be a straight Republican or a mongrel ticket, such as was put up by the Pritchard machine at the last election. Vick lost lost his head because he refused to obey the boss who shut the doors of the convention against his race. How do the negroes of the State like it?

TRUST MANIPULATION.

Representative Littlefield did not make much headway in the last Congress with his anti-trust bill, which was consigned to the mortuary pigeon-hole. But it gave him an opportunity to throw some light on trust methods, and the manipulation of the promoters by which great values on paper are created out of comparatively small values. His speech in presenting his bill gave some interesting facts, based upon official reports, the gist of which is thus given by the Detroit *Free Press*:

The number of industrial combinations, which means the unification of a number of them engaged in the same lines of production, he fixes at 453. The aggregate of their common stock is $5,973,853,850; preferred stock, $3,091,508,320; bonds, $1,165,774,528, making a grand total capitalization of $9,231,136,698. This amount is enormous, beyond human conception, yet it tells but a part of the story. Taking alone the larger companies engaged in the quasi-public business of street railways, electric and gas lighting company, telephone and telegraph service, they represent a total capitalization of $4,519,597,819.

Two years ago, when this feature of the national census was made public, the entire actual capital in land, buildings, machinery, material and cash, for every form of manufacturing institution, trust and independent, was less than ten billions. That is, we now have a capitalization alone of the monopolistic combines that is practically equal to the real worth of all the industrial institutions of the country, though more than half of them are outside of the trusts.

This statement of facts justifies a conclusion that the trusts as a whole are floating a dollar in stock and bonds for every 50 cents of actual property owned by them. Some are worse than others, but in their entirety they are capitalized for twice what they are worth even under the liberal values returned to the census takers. This is an immense flotation of paper. Most of it is traced to the capitalizing of expectations, and most of this intangible, unsecured and problematical value is represented in the common stock of which the investing public buys most. It is a remarkable exhibition of managerial recklessness on the one hand and of popular credulity on the other. If the expectations that have been marketed be realized the outside investors will have a chance to save their money; yet at that it is a strange phase of mortal judgment that will deliberately buy monopolized hopes.

Of course no legitimate business can stand practically unlimited inflation and it is only a question of time when many of the inflated must collapse. Some of those which have an absolute monopoly may hold their grip, but in a country like this, monopolies, unless in rare instances and when supported by favoring legislation, cannot flourish long.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

104 sale by J. C. Shepard.

SPRING TIREDNESS

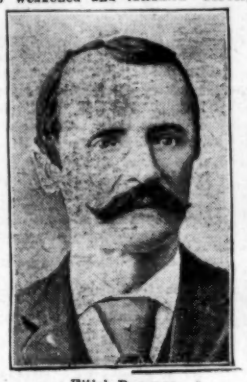
Is Caused by Unhealthy Action Of the Liver and Kidneys Assisted By Starved Blood and a Poor Circulation.

PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

Nourishes the Life Stream and Strengthens Every Organ Of the Body.

The great virtues of Paine's Celery Compound are abundantly manifested in the spring. It is a medicine compounded specially to brace the nerves, to sustain heart action, to cleanse the blood and keep the stomach, liver and kidneys in vigorous health.

In the springtime the effects of the winter's work, the worries of business, household cares and the severe changes of temperature all conduce to weakened and inflamed nerves,



Elijah Bowman,
A Great Fruit Grower of Michigan.

insomnia, poverty of the blood, deranged digestion, liver and kidneys in bad condition; in thousands of cases rheumatism and neuralgia commence their horrible tortures. Paine's Celery Compound, used three or four times a day for the next four weeks, will furnish the proper needed elements of life for the growth and repair of the whole body. It will quickly make new nerve force, pure, rich blood, will bestow sound health and long years of life.

Mr. Elijah Bowman, of Caledonia, Mich., says:

When I think of the misery and agony I endured formerly and being entirely cured by Paine's Celery Compound, I feel indeed thankful for the discovery of this wonderful medicine. I take a little of the medicine every spring. It brightens a person up and drives all the laziness out of the system, and makes one feel cheerful and bright."

TRAGEDY AVERTED.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved," writes Mrs. W. Watkins, of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound and well." Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung diseases. Guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

Rushville, Ind.

Messrs. ELY BROS.—I have been a great sufferer from catarrh and hay fever and tried many things, but found no permanent relief until I found it in Ely's Cream Balm about eight years ago, and we have been fast friends ever since. (Rev.) R. M. BENTLEY.

Messrs. ELY BROS.—Find enclosed 50 cents, for which please send me your Cream Balm. I find your remedy the quickest and most permanent cure for cold in the head, catarrh, etc. Yours truly, DELL M. POTTER, Gen. Mgr. Arizona Gold Mining Co.

DR. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY FOR THE BLOOD, LIVER, LUNGS.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Greensboro *Record*: The fruit in this section is blooming too early for safety is the opinion of many capable of judging of such matters. The next full moon is April 12th—Easter—at which time there is generally a cold snap, but should it come at any time now the fruit will be a goner.

— Winston *Journal*: Miss Brim, daughter of Thomas Brim, a deputy collector in Surry county, was on last Thursday seriously burned and reports Monday said that she could not live. Miss Brim was standing before a large open fire place when her dress ignited. She was alone and her loose flowing robe burned rapidly. In a moment she was enveloped in flames. Her screams brought assistance, but too late.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Mr. John G. Young, at Winston-Salem, has several different varieties of pheasants, and some of the most beautiful and gorgeous in this State. During the fall and winter he turned all the different varieties loose in his yard, and most of them roost in the trees. Now he has them in very large wire coops, each variety separate, and they are laying. He sets the eggs under hens, sending them in different parts of the State to raise on shares. There is no trouble to sell what you raise.

— Durham *Sun*: The heavy rain, which began about 7:30 o'clock Saturday night and lasted through Sunday has caused considerable annoyance to travellers and done much damage to properly. A message was received here this morning from the section master on the O. & C. road that the water in Neuse river, between Stems and Oxford, was over the bridge and that the track was being washed away. He said that it would be dangerous for any train to attempt to cross the bridge. The passenger train on this road received orders to go to Oxford by way of Greensboro, Danville and Keysville, which it did.

— Salisbury *Sun*: The constitutionality of the Watts law will be tested in the Federal court and the test case will be made by a Rowan county distiller. This information comes straight and the *Sun* is further advised that four of North Carolina's leading lawyers have already been engaged by the distillers, who will give their support to the individual case. The contention of the defence will be based on section one of the fourteenth amendment to the constitution, which is as follows: All persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof are citizens of the United States and the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States, nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law. Nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction equal protection of the law.

—— The heavy rainfall of the past week continued up to this morning, and last night two inches of rain fell. All the creeks and rivers are swollen to-day and out of their banks. At South River the water was over the dam at Lindsay's mill yesterday and was steadily rising. This morning the Yadkin was within seven feet of the Piedmont toll bridge, just two feet lower than the high water mark. Much damage has been done to crops by the excessive rains.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— We learn from the Cincinnati *Commercial-Tribune* that Mr. Ingalls, the fusion nominee for mayor, is unfit for the office because he declined to vote for Mr. Bryan in 1896 and 1900. Is this not remarkable logic for a Republican newspaper to use? And did the Republican nominee for mayor of Cincinnati qualify himself for the office by voting for Bryan. —*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— With its new $4,000,000 Havana hotel Cuba may grow into a winter resort to surpass Florida, Southern California, Bermuda, Egypt, Algiers or any of the other refuges from winter and its rigors which now hold out their tropical allurements. The island has walked Spanish for four hundred years, marking time and making no progress, but will now try a modern quickstep and cakewalk, promising a swing and freedom heretofore unknown to it.—*New York Tribune, Rep.*

—— A new danger has developed to terrify inter-urban travel by trolley lines in the West. Highwaymen have found it easy, but not altogether, so far, very profitable picking by holding up electric cars running between neighboring cities, the latest robbery of the kind occurring near Los Angeles, Cal. Some of these days a method will be found to protect passengers, not only on trolley, but steam cars, from marauding desperadoes. In anticipation of some such possible developments road agents have not been so handy with their guns of late.—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

——That was a somewhat remarkable resolution introduced in the Methodist Conference at Edenton, Md., the other day by ex-Congressman Willis, of Milford, Del. It began with the statement that "there seems to be a doubt in the minds of certain persons in our church as to the sinfulness of bribery," and concluded by admonishing "all of our people that any one guilty of this shameless crime stands discredited before the church, contemptible in the eyes of his brethren, and condemned in the sight of God. Has Addicksism debauched the public conscience of Delaware to the extent that the church membership is itself contaminated. — *Savannah News, Dem.*

WORKING OVERTIME.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing Indigestion, Biliousness, Constipation, Sick Headache and all Stomach, Liver and Bowel troubles. Easy, pleasant, safe and sure. Only 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

FOR OVER SIXTY YEARS

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Rheumacide

The great rheumatic remedy not only cures every form of rheumatism, but makes radical cures of

Contagious Blood Poison, Scrofula, Sores, Boils, Catarrh,

and all diseases arising from impurities in the blood. Endorsed by physicians and prominent people everywhere after thorough trial.

DOES NOT INJURE THE DIGESTIVE ORGANS.

RALEIGH, N. C.

Gentlemen:—I take pleasure in bearing testimony to the curative properties of your "RHEUMACIDE." Two bottles cured my son of a bad case. If this will be of any benefit to you in advertising your meritorious remedy, you can use it.
Yours truly, W. H. RAND, *Steward State Blind Institution.*

All Druggists, $1.00; or prepaid on receipt of price.
Bobbitt Chemical Co., - - Baltimore, Md.

TWINKLINGS.

— Say, Chimmey, dat's a fierce bulldog youse got. Whatcher feed 'im on to make 'im so scrappy? Feed him on scraps.—*Baltimore Herald.*

— Jerry—Good jewelry is awfully expensive. Joe—Yes, it is; whenever I buy myself a scarfpin I have to buy one for my wife.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— Why is Congressman Spooner so pronounced against the "open door" policy? He has the grip, and is afraid of a draft.—*Kansas City Journal.*

— During a lesson in physiology, Willie's teacher asked him if he knew the name of the last teeth people get to which he replied: Yes'm, false teeth.

— "Mother will be down in a minute." "Why, the maid said your mother wasn't at home." "Then, won't you please go? It will save me a good licking."—*Life.*

— First Student—I hear that your father is quite a writer. Second Student—He is all that. First Student—Don't say! What do you consider his best book? Second Student—His check book.—*Chicago News*

— Cordelia—I am always worried when I am buying new clothes. Cornelia—Why? Cordelia—Oh, I can't decide whether to look stylish and be uncomfortable, or to be comfortable and look a fright.—*Tit-Bits.*

— What the holes for? asked little Emma, looking at the porous plaster that her mother was preparing to adjust on Willie's back. It's funny you don't know that sister, interposed Willie. They are to let the pain out, of course.—*Washington Star.*

— Teacher—Now, I want all the children to look at Tommy's hands and observe how clean they are, and see if all of you cannot come to school with cleaner hands. Tommy, perhaps, will tell us how he keeps them so nice. Tommy—Yes'm; ma makes me wash the breakfast things every morning.—*Tit-Bits.*

EARLY CIGAR TONGS.

Relics of the Days When Matches Were Unknown.

Some customs seem to have as many lives as the proverbial cat. In the good old days of Queen Bess every smoker had in his outfit a pair of tobacco tongs. If he were a gallant of the court, they were made of silver; if a substantial merchant, of brass, but if a workingman, of cheap ironware. They were a necessary implement to the smoker. Matches were unknown, and the only available fire in the daytime was the blazing log upon the hearth. With the poker a small piece of glowing ember was broken off, which with the tongs was applied to the freshly charged pipe.

Hundreds of these tongs are to be found in the collections of antiquarians. Most of them are clumsy objects, but a few are so graceful in outline and artistic in workmanship that they seem to be of French and Flemish rather than English origin.

These tongs were revived on a small scale some twenty years ago, when they were employed for holding cigarettes. The cigarette tongs were from two to four inches in length, connected at the upper end by a smart spring, which kept the ends together when in a position of rest. When used, the smoker opened them and caught the cigarette between the tips close up to the mouth end. The contrivance enabled the user to burn the cigarette down to the last whiff and protected the fingers from the discoloring vapor that produces the brown stain upon the fore and middle fingers.

The new tongs shown nowadays are somewhat larger and are intended to hold cigars as well as to reach a coal from the fireplace to a pipe. They are made of iron, steel and gun metal, and many of the latter are said to be manufactured from warships, cannon and other trophies of the late war with Spain.—New York Post.

Bell Rock Lighthouse.

The old lantern and dome of the Bell Rock lighthouse, in the German ocean, twelve miles southeast of Arbroath, are being removed. The lighthouse, which is 110 feet high, was designed by Robert Stevenson and Rennie and erected in 1807-10 at a cost of £61,000. The light has never until now been changed, says the Westminster Gazette. R. L. Stevenson used to imagine himself with his engineer grandfather on the Bell Rock in fog, when the Smeaton had drifted from her moorings, and the Aberdeen men, pick in hand, had seized the only boats, and Stevenson had to stoop and lap sea water ere his tongue could utter audible words. There also, when the beacon took a "thrawe" and his workmen fled into the tower, then almost finished, he sat unmoved reading his Bible, and one after another slunk back in confusion to their tasks. Southey has embodied a tradition regarding the Bell Rock in his ballad, "The Inchcape Rock."

Swans Reach Old Age.

John Lover, the keeper of the wolves, stood on the bank of the lake at the zoo, a bit of pie in his hand. "Whew-w-w!" he whistled, and a white swan at the far end of the island turned and swam like lightning to him. It took the pie from his hand, waddled back into the water and in a moment had disappeared behind the island. "An old bird," said Lover; "a very old bird. It is, in fact, 114 years old at least. I guess it is, except for our bald eagle, the oldest creature in the gardens. The eagle, you know, is supposed to be 125. Swans are the longest lived creatures there are, the natural history books say. They live 300 years sometimes. Eagles live from 100 to 150 years, and parrots sometimes about 125."—Philadelphia Record.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.]

STAR OFFICE, March 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 65c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.90 per barrel for strained and $1.95 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.65 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.40 per barrel for hard, $4.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.20; crude turpentine steady at $1.35 @2.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	8
Rosin	152
Tar	542
Crude turpentine	33

Receipts same day last year—32 casks spirits turpentine, 512 barrels rosin, 309 barrels tar, 60 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	8¼	cts. ₱ lb
Good ordinary	8¾	" "
Low middling	9⅛	" "
Middling	9¾	" "
Good middling	9 15-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 8¾c for middling.

Receipts—155 bales; same day last year, 380.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 65c; extra prime, 70c; fancy, 75c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 12½c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 15@25c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@12½c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Money on call was steady at 5@6 per cent., closing 5@5½; time money steady; 60 days, 5@5½ per cent; 90 days, 5@5½ per cent; for six months 5@5½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange heavy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486.95@487 for idemand and at 482.75@483.80 for sixty day bills. The posted rates were 484½ and 488 Commercial bills 483½@483¾. Bar silver 48¾. Mexican dollars 38¼. Government bonds strong. State bonds—. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 107; U. S refunding 2's, coupon, 107¼; U. S. 3's, registered, 107½; do. coupon, 108. U. S. 4's, new registered, 135¼; do. coupon, 136¼; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 108¼; do. coupon, 110; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¼; do. coupon, 103¼; Southern Railway, 5's, 116¼ bid. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 91¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 46; Manhattan L 138¾; New York Central 135¼; Reading 58¾; do. 1st preferred 84; do. 2nd preferred 71¼; St. Paul 164¾; do. pref'd, 184¼; Southern Railway 31¾; do. pref'd 93; Amalgamated Copper 68; People's Gas 102; Sugar 125; Tennessee Coal and Iron 65¾; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. pref'd, 90¾; Western Union 87¾; U.S Steel 38¼; do. pref'd 88¾; Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., 69¾; sales — shares; do. preferred, 126; sales — shares. Standard Oil, 680 bid. Seaboard Air Line, common, 34¾; do. preferred, 40½; bonds, fours, 83¾. Atlantic Coast Line, common, and do. preferred—no sales.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Rosin firm. Spirits turpentine firm at 69@69½c asked.

CHARLESTON, March 25. Spirits turpentine firm at 64c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — casks; A, B, C D, E $1 95; F, $2 00; G, $2 10; H, $2 30; I, $2 75; K, $3 10; M, $3 30; N, $3 80; W G, $3 75; W W $4 15.

SAVANNAH, March 25.—Spirits turpentine was quoted firm at 65c; receipts 71 casks; sales 33 casks; exports 66 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 772 barrels; sales 1,653 barrels; exports 1,510 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, $2 05; F, $2 10; G, $2 20; H, $2 40; I, $2 85; K $3 20; M, $3 40; N, $3 60; W G, $3 75; W W, $4 00

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 25.—The cotton market opened steady at unchanged prices to an advance of three points, and following the call ruled rather irregular but narrow and quiet. The opening improvement was chiefly due to the strengthening of the statistical position as indicated by the recent heavy export movement, which encouraged renewed purchases for both accounts. But after the initial gain prices worked downward a few points under the fair estimates for the day's receipts and the less favorable accounts from the New England mill situation, these factors, in connection with the good weather in the South, news of crop preparations and indifferent cables proving more potent factors than the small estimates for to-morrow's receipts at Houston which were estimated at from 900 to 1,000 as compared with 3,261 bales last year. At the lower levels bulls again came to the support of values and the market recovered to about the opening figures around that level with the bull leaders apparently concerned in an effort to maintain prices. Speculation continued very quiet, however, and there was little outside demand so that prices gradually slipped away with new crop months showing the greatest weakness. The exports for the day were full, amounting to 19,261 bales, bringing the total thus far for the season up to 4,726,241 bales or 94,837 bales over those for the same period last year and this checked aggressive selling so that the losses were small and the market finally steady net unchanged to three points lower, this being the low point of the day for the late months and within two points of the lowest on May and July. Total sales futures 100,000 bales.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Cotton quiet at 10.15; net receipts 26 bales; gross receipts 6,804 bales; stock 68,084 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 10.15c; middling gulf 10 40c; sales 512 bales.

Futures opened and closed steady: March 9.92, April 9 93, May 9 95, June 9.76, July 9.76, August 9 43, September 8.85, October 8.53, November 8 40, December 8 38.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 51,843 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,654 bales; exports to France 2,100 bales; exports to the Continent 2,100 bales; stock 513,959 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 62,878 bales; exports to Great Britain 33,533 bales; exports to France 6,616 bales; exports to the Continent 52,009 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6 947,738 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,397,602 bales; exports to France 697,908 bales; exports to the Continent 2,516,163 bales.

March 25.—Galveston, firm at 9 15 16, net receipts 2,544 bales; Norfolk, steady at 10c, net receipts 315 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 10½c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 10.15c, net receipts 705 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 155 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 10 40c, net receipts 37 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 4,128 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 9 13-16c, net receipts 7,445 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 378 bales; Memphis, steady at 9¾c, net receipts 508 bales; Augusta, quiet at 10¼c, net receipts 140 bales; Charleston, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 15 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Flour was quiet and barely steady; Minnesota patents $3 90@4 20. Rye flour quiet. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 78¼c. Options declined slightly after the opening under lower cables, but rallied on covering and were firm all day. The afternoon demand was chiefly for May and impelled by reports of liberal export sales. The market closed firm at ½@¾c net advance: March closed 81¾; May closed 77¾c; July closed 75¼c September 73¾. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 57c. Options market broke early in the day under liquidation, then recovered with wheat and after a firm last hour, closed partly ½@¾c net higher: April closed 57c; May closed 49¾c; July closed 41 13 16c; September 73¾c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2, 42c. Options were weak after the opening but recovered later with corn market; May closed 37¾. Lard steady; Western steam $10 45; refined firm; continent $11 60; compound 7¼@8c. Butter unsettled; extra creamery 29c; State dairy 17@27c; factory 13@16c. Cheese—Market was firm; State full cream, small colored, fancy fall made 15c; do. white, fall made 14¾c. Peanuts quoted steady; fancy hand picked 4¾@4¾c; other domestic 3@4¾c. Cabbages quieter; domestic, per barrel, red 50@81; Southern 50c@1 50. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Potatoes steady; Long Island $2 00@2 25; South Jersey sweets $2 50@3 75; Southern $1 25@2 00; State and Western per 180 lbs, $1 50@2 00. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania, average best 14¾c; Southern 13c. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; mild steady. Pork firm. Tallow firm. Rice firm. Molasses firm. Sugar—Raw steady; refined steady. Cotton seed oil was very dull, selling at 41c for prime yellow in small lots and held higher for larger quantities. Quoted: Prime crude here nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 34¼@35c; prime summer yellow 41@41¾c; off summer yellow 38@39c; prime white 45c; prime winter yellow 45c; prime meal $27 50@28 00, nominal.

CHICAGO, March 25.—Trading in the grain pits was on a moderate scale today and after an easier opening all grains closed higher, May wheat being ¾c higher. May corn up 1@1½ and oats ½@¾c better. Provisions closed strong with the May products from 2½c to 15c higher.

CHICAGO, March 25.—Cash prices: Flour dull and easy. Wheat—No. 2 spring 75@76c; No. 3 spring 73c; No. 2 red 70¼@71¾c. Corn—No. 2 41¾c; No. 2 yellow 41¾c. Oats—No 2 31¾c. No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 32@34c. Rye—No. 2 quoted 49c. Mess pork, per barrel, $17 70@17 95. Lard, per 100 lbs, $10 00@10 12½. Short rib sides, loose, $9 75@9 85. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 75@8 87½. Short clear sides, boxed, $10 37½@10 50. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 30.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 71¾@72. 72¾, 71¾, 72¾@72¾c; July 69¾@69¾, 70¼, 69¾, 70¼c; September 68¾, 69, 68¾, 68¾c. Corn—No. 2 March —, —, —, 41¾c; May 42¾@42¾, 43¼, 42¾, 43¾c; July 43@43¼, 43¼, 43¼c; September 42¾@42¾, 43, 43¼, 43c. Oats—No. 2, March —, —, —, 31¼c; May 31¼@31¾, 32¼, 31¼@31¾, 32¼c; July 30¾, 30¾, 29¾, 30¼; September 28, 28¼@28¾, 28¾, 28¼@28¼c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $17 67½, 17 95, 17 65, 17 95; July $16 90, 17 15 16 90, 17 15; September $16 70, 16 87½ 16 70, 16 87½. Lard, per 100 lbs.—May $9 90, 10 10, 9 90, 10 10; July $9 65, 9 82½, 9 65, 9 82½; September $9 67½, 9 82½, 9 67½, 92½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $9 70, 9 85, 9 70, 9 85; July $9 40, 9 52½, 9 40, 9 52½; September $9 35, 9 42½, 9 35, 9 43½.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 25.—Cotton: Spot, moderate business done; prices steady; American middling fair 5.88d; good middling 5.54d; middling 5.33d; low middling 5.24d; good ordinary 5.12d; ordinary 5.00d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 6,900 bales American. Receipts 21,000 bales, all American.

Futures opened steady and closed quiet; American middling (g o c) March 5.21d; March and April 5.21d; April and May 5.22@5.23d; May and June 5.25d; June and July 5.25@5.26d; July and August 5.25d; August and September 5.17d; September and October 4.81d; October and November 4.61@4.62d; November and December 4.55@4.56d.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., March 25.

SCHOONERS.

Future, 518 tons, Macdonald, to master.

John H Buttrick, 540 tons, Sprague, to master.

BARQUES.

Aracan, (Swd) 685 tons, Matsson, Heide & Co.

MARINE.

ARRIVED

Stmr City of Fayetteville, Worth, Fayetteville.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, T D Love.

Stmr A J Johnson, Robinson, Clear Run, W J Meredith.

Clyde steamer Geo W Clyde, Rich, New York, H G Smallbones.

CLEARED.

Stmr City of Fayetteville, Worth, Fayetteville.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, T D Love.

Stmr A J Johnson, Robinson, Clear Run, W J Meredith.

Clyde steamer Geo W Clyde, Rich, Georgetown, S C, H G Smallbones.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and C Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—15 bales cotton, 5 barrels rosin, 86 barrels tar, 21 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—53 bales cotton, 41 barrels tar, 5 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—23 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 68 barrels tar, 1 barrel crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—16 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 65 barrels rosin, 73 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—28 bales cotton, 6 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—10 bales cotton, 50 barrels rosin, 167 barrels tar.

Steamer City of Fayetteville—10 bales cotton, 104 barrels tar.

Schooner Leah—32 barrels rosin.

Total—155 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 153 barrels rosin, 543 barrels tar, 33 barrels crude turpentine.

CAN'T BE SEPARATED

Some People Have Learned How to Get Rid of Both.

Backache and kidney ache are twin brothers.

You can't separate them.

And you can't get rid of the backache until you cure the kidney ache.

If the kidneys are well and strong, the rest of the system is pretty sure to be in vigorous health.

Doan's Kidney Pills make strong, healthy kidneys.

Mr. Henry Murphy, of 854 Broadway, Memphis, Tenn., professional nurse, says: "For a year or two pain and weakness across the loins and difficulty with the kidney secretions indicated that my kidneys were either overtaxed or weakened. All my knowledge failed to bring relief, and ever anxious to get rid of the trouble before it became chronic, I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Hamner & Ballard's drug store. They performed their work very satisfactorily. I know of a great many others in Memphis who have been benefited by Doan's Kidney Pills.

For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute. mr 22 1w

BLOOD POISON

Bone Pains, Itching, Scabby Skin Diseases

Cancers, Blood Troubles, Pimples, Sores

Permanently cured by taking Botanic Blood Balm. It destroys the active Poison in the blood. If you have aches and pains in bones, back and joints, itching scabby skin, Blood feels hot, Swollen Glands, Rashes and Bumps on the Skin, Mucus Patches in Mou

PUZZLE PICTURE.

THE TRAVELS OF COLUMBUS.

The caravel now altered its course to the southwest, but the "land" proved to be only a cloud.

FIND HIDDEN SAILOR AND COMPASS.

900 DROPS

CASTORIA

A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of

INFANTS & CHILDREN

Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

Recipe of Old Dr SAMUEL PITCHER

Pumpkin Seed - Alx. Senna - Rochelle Salts - Anise Seed - Peppermint - Bi Carbonate Soda - Worm Seed - Clarified Sugar - Wintergreen Flavor.

A perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

Fac Simile Signature of

Chas. H. Fletcher.

NEW YORK.

At 6 months old

35 DOSES – 35 CENTS

EXACT COPY OF WRAPPER

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

In Use For Over Thirty Years

CASTORIA

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

PRUDENT ADVERTISERS SHOULD NOTE THESE FACTS.

THE MORNING STAR

—IS THE—

OLDEST DAILY NEWSPAPER IN NORTH CAROLINA.

AND NEVER SINCE ITS FIRST ISSUE HAS THERE BEEN ANY CHANGE OF NAME, PROPRIETORSHIP OR EDITORIAL MANAGEMENT.

IT GUARANTEES A MUCH LARGER REGULAR, BONA FIDE CIRCULATION THAN ANY OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN WILMINGTON. This claim has never been challenged by any competing newspaper.

For rates and sample copies, address

WM. H. BERNARD,
Editor and Proprietor,
Wilmington, N. C.

THE NORTH CAROLINA HOT SPRINGS

THE MOUNTAIN PARK HOTEL,

Hot Springs N. C.

Hot Mineral Drinking Water and Baths, with temperature ranging from ninety-six to one hundred and ten degrees. Strongly Alkaline and Nature's Specific for Rheumatism, Gout, Sciatica, and all kindred troubles. There are no cases which they will not greatly relieve, and few which they will not positively cure, if faithfully used These Springs are in the grounds of the

MOUNTAIN PARK HOTEL,

A Hostelry with accommodations for Three Hundred Guests, and New, Modern, Elegant. Situated in a park of one hundred acres, on the bank of the French Broad River, thirty-five miles west of Asheville, on the main line of the Southern Railway, surrounded by some of the grandest mountains east of the Rocky Mountains No Humidity. No Fogs. A delightful Home for the Pleasure-Seeker, an Eden for the Rheumatic No healthier, no more delightful place in the world.

Write us for Illustrated Booklet, with Analysis and Testimonials.

Howell Cobb, Proprietor.

mar 9 tf su

ALMANAC VAGARIES.

AN INTERESTING COLLECTION IN THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

Noted Men Who Are Credited With Being the First Almanac Makers. Yearly Almanacs the Rage Since the Sixteenth Century.

One of the most curious collections at the library of congress is that of almanacs. These publications, which as advertising mediums are left at the door, often to be at once thrown carelessly into the wastebasket, have a striking and venerable history.

It is still contended by many authorities that the almanac of 1457 was the first specimen of printing, and it has been variously credited to Gutenberg, Schaeffer and Pfister of Bamberg. Dr. Faustus, celebrated in legend, whose strange story has been immortalized by Marlowe and Goethe, was the accredited author of almanacs containing astrological signs (retained at the present day) and necromantic secrets. "Poor Richard's Almanac," the production of Benjamin Franklin, is well known as a treasury of homely wit and wisdom. One of the greatest of modern German authors, Auerbach, first won his way to popular esteem by using the almanac as a vehicle for his talents.

Reyiomontanus, a famous German mathematician, under the patronage of Matthias Corvinus, king of Hungary, published a series of almanacs from 1475 to 1506, and yearly almanacs became an established custom in the sixteenth century. Henry III. of France in 1579 enacted that the almanac should not be made the instrument of partisan politics by the introduction of prophecies against parties and individuals in the state.

The first almanac in the modern shape appeared in England in 1673. It was compiled by Maurice Wheeler, canon of Christchurch, Oxford, and was printed in that city. The sale was so great that the booksellers of London bought the copyright in order to monopolize its subsequent sales. The "Almanac Royal" of Paris, 1697, contained notices of pastimes, court reception days, fairs and markets, to which were added soon afterward the genealogy of the reigning house, etc.

In England James I. granted a monopoly of the trade to the universities and the Stationers' company, subject to the censorship of the archbishop of Canterbury and the bishop of London. The universities accepted an annuity from their colleagues, and resigned the active exercise of their privilege into the hands of the Stationers. Under their supervision were conducted the popular almanacs known as "Moore's" and "Partridge's," the latter of which was humorously attacked by Swift. "Poor Robin's Almanac," published from 1652 to 1828, may have furnished a model, at least in title, for Franklin's "Poor Richard."

Popular superstitions and the extravagances of astrology found room in these almanacs, the Stationers, like a genuine corporation or "trust" of the time, having no personality of their own, and exhibiting no special bias except for what would sell, as was particularly proved in 1624, when they issued a set of predictions in one almanac and bitterly contradicted them in another.

The famous "Moore's Almanac" purported to be edited by Francis Moore, physician. The original Francis Moore died in 1724, but the publication was still issued as if under his supervision, and in 1775 a vigorous rival arose in another almanac claiming to be the genuine Francis Moore. A great lawsuit followed, which was decided against the monopoly of the Stationers' company. A bill to renew and legalize the privilege was brought in the house of commons by Lord North in 1779, but Lord Erskine, the great barrister, most brilliantly exposed the absurdity and even indecency of the publication, and the bill was defeated. Although the privilege was thus destroyed, the Stationers purchased their rival and continued to hold the field with a but slightly improved style of publication until 1828, when the Society For the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge published the "British Almanac" and demolished their predecessors, with the able assistance of the daily press, which so vigorously assailed the Stationers' publication that that company was constrained to follow the new example in the "Englishman's Almanac."

The uniform price for an English almanac for many years was a penny, but the monopoly increased the price, and the imposition of the stamp taxes after Queen Anne's time raised it still more. In 1781 "Moore's Almanac" was ninepence, two being for the stamp. In 1796 it rose to 1s. 4d. and in 1816 to 2s. 3d.

An almanac was established by Isaiah Thomas in Worcester, Mass., which gained and established an extraordinary repute in 1780 from the happy accident that, as it was being set up, one of the boys asked what should be placed against the 13th of July. Mr. Thomas, in careless haste, answered: "Anything! Anything!" The lad, literally obedient, set up "Rain, hail and snow." The diligent readers were surprised, but when the day came the prediction was fulfilled—it really did rain, hail and snow on the 13th of that July, and the fortune of the almanac was made.

The "Almanac de Gotha" is the best known of the German publications. Whittaker's is the standard English publication of the kind, while in this country several of the large newspapers issue annual almanacs. The stray production, however, with its old astrological and magical symbols of Faust, must ever possess an interest for the curious who are versed in the history of almanacs. — Washington Times.

Onion Sauce.

As a change from the tomato sauce usually served with breaded lamb chops try an onion sauce made in this way: Slice two or, if very small, three onions and cook them in water for a few moments and drain. Put them into just enough boiling water to cover, add a little salt and cook until tender. Cook together two tablespoonfuls each of flour and butter and when perfectly smooth add one-half pint of stock, three or four tablespoonfuls of cream and a saltspoonful each of salt and sugar and a dash of cayenne. When the onion is tender, press it through a colander and add the water in which it had been cooked.—New York Post.

The Work of Envy.

The lending lady was in tears, and the morning paper lay crumpled at her feet.

"What is the matter?" the manager asked.

"This horrid critic," she sobbed.

"Let me see. Where? What has he said?"

"There," she replied, pointing to the dreadful paragraph. "It says my acting was excellent, but that my gown didn't seem to fit me at all. I just know that was written by some spiteful woman."—Chicago Record-Herald.

For Croup use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard

SUNNY JIM

is coming next week in person. He will call at your house and present you with a large package of

"FORCE"

Give it a fair trial, and you will learn why he became Sunny Jim

HUMOR

GLEAMS OF HUMOR.

Some Scintillations That Will Brighten True Lovers of Wit.

Patience—Do you care for these house parties?

Patrice—Not if you refer to the janitor's, I don't.

Bill—Have you seen the automobile hair yet?

Jill—No; I suppose it stands up straight.

Church—Does he lie about the fish he catches?

Gotham—No; only about the ones he doesn't catch.

Mr. Crimsonbeak—Here's an article in the paper about your new tight shoes, dear.

Mrs. Crimsonbeak—You're joking.

"Well, I thought it was. It's headed 'Much In Little.'"

"Now, my boy," said the teacher, "when there is to be a storm what does the sailor do?"

"He takes in sail, ma'am."

"That's correct. Now, why does he take in the sail?"

"So it won't get wet, ma'am."

Patience—While Miss Fussanfeather was at an exhibition of paintings the other day she says she came to a mirror, and while looking in she really thought it was a painting.

Patrice—Well, she was looking at something painted, very likely.—Yonkers Statesman.

His Malady.

Farmer Houk—I understand that the young city feller that has been boardin' at Eli Summertime's died last night in sort of a peculiar manner.

Farmer Hornbeak—D'know as there was anything specially peculiar about it? He died dead, same as folks generally do.

Farmer Houk—Aw, you know what I mean—the cause of his death was peculiar.

Farmer Hornbeak—D'know as it was either. He died of a combination of mushroom appetite and toadstool judgment—a pretty common failin' amongst city folks, I've noticed.—Judge.

Smith and His Money.

"I can't make out what Smith does with his money."

"No?"

"No, I can't. Yesterday he was short, and he's short again today."

"Did he want to borrow from you?"

"No; I wanted to borrow from him."—Chicago Journal.

The Snare.

Daughter—I have an invitation to the theater and have no chaperon.

Mother—You must have one, of course, or you shan't go. It's from Mr. Slimpurse, I suppose?

"No. It's from Mr. Fatpurse."

"Um—never mind about the chaperon."—Tit-Bits.

More Riots.

Disturbances of strikers are not nearly as grave as an individual disorder of the system. Overwork, loss of sleep, nervous tension will be followed by utter collapse, unless a reliable remedy is immediately employed. There's nothing so efficient to cure disorders of the Liver or Kidneys as Electric Bitters. It's a wonderful tonic, and effective nervine and the greatest all around medicine for run-down systems. It dispels Nervousness, Rheumatism and Neuralgia and expels Malaria germs. Only 50 cents, and satisfaction guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

Piles! Piles! Piles!

Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment is prepared to cure Piles and DOES IT in short order. Easy to apply, every box guaranteed, 50c. and $1.00. All druggists or by mail. WILLIAMS M'F'G Co., Cleveland, Ohio. Sold by J. C. Sheppard, Jr.

Nasal CATARRH

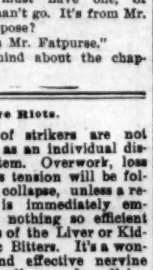
In all its stages there should be cleanliness.

Ely's Cream Balm cleanses, soothes and heals the diseased membrane. It cures catarrh and drives away a cold in the head quickly.

Cream Balm is placed into the nostrils, spreads over the membrane and is absorbed. Relief is immediate and a cure follows. It is not drying—does not produce sneezing. Large Size, 50 cents at Druggists or by mail; Trial Size, 10 cents by mail.

ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren Street, New York.

sep 16 tf su th



BIG G CURES in 1 to 5 days. Guaranteed not to stricture. Prevents Contagion. THE EVANS CHEMICAL CO. CINCINNATI, O. U. S. A.

MEN AND WOMEN. Use Big G for unnatural discharges, inflammations, irritations or ulcerations of mucous membranes. Painless, and not astringent or poisonous. Sold by Druggists, or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for $1.00, or 3 bottles $2.75. Circular sent on request.

au th tfn

WM. E. SPRINGER & CO.

"District Agents" for the

"CLARKS CUTAWAY DISC HARROWS,"

One of the greatest labor-saving machines known, and such work as it does cannot be done by any other machine made.

In a few days will show one of the largest and finest lines of American and English double and single breech Cocking Shot Guns ever brought to this market.

sep 17 tf Purcell Building, Wilmington, N. C.

We Are Pleased to Announce

the arrival of the Spring styles of

Dorothy Dodd Shoes

that are now causing such a big sensation all over the country. Dorothy Dodd shoes are now on exhibition, and a call at our store will afford us pleasure and you the opportunity to see these much talked of Shoes.

SOLOMON'S SHOE STORE,

SOLE AGENTS.

mr 22 tf

We Are Fully Equipped

In all shapes, styles and sizes in

SUMMER OXFORDS, SANDALS AND STRAPS.

Our Little Gents' and Boys' Pat. Colt Oxfords. Prices, $2.00, $2.50 and $3.00 are smart sellers; also, our

Gents' Pat. and Kid Oxfords for $3.00, $4.00 and $5.00, are winners. SEE US.

GEO. R. FRENCH & SONS.

mr 17 tf

20th Century Building Stone,

MANUFACTURED BY THE

Hydraulic White Brick Co.,

Office No. 2 Smith Building.

Factory "Dickinson Hill," Wilmington, N. C.

Samples and price on application. mr 15 tf

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK,

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

Organized March, 1899. Capital and Surplus $400,000.

Deposits $1,300,000—secured by assets amounting to $2,000,000.

Depository for United States, State, County and City funds.

Our customers can rely upon every facility.

Foreign exchange bought and sold.

H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

mr 7 tf

IN STOCK

A Fine Line Heywood's Go-carts.

REFRIGERATORS FROM $8.00 UP.

THE BEST IRON BED ON EARTH!

It is the celebrated 3-piece Bernstein. Buy one and you wil never use any other kind.

Bedroom Suits, Couches and Hat Racks.

You must see us to get right prices.

A 1 Felt Mattress for $8.50. All kinds Mattresses made and renovated.

THE SNEED CO.,

mr 22 tf Corner Second and Market streets.

DR. LYON'S French Periodical Drops

Strictly vegetable, perfectly harmless, sure to accomplish DESIRED RESULTS. Greatest known female remedy.

CAUTION Beware of counterfeits and imitations. The genuine is put up only in paste-board Carton with fac-simile signature on side of the bottle, thus. Send for Circular to WILLIAMS MFG. CO., Sole Agents, Cleveland, Ohio.

J. C SHEPARD, JR., Wilmington

A Feast

OF FINE FOOT-WEAR

Awaits you in the coming of our stock of

SPRING AND SUMMER STYLES.

HIGH CUTS and LOW CUTS in all the popular leathers.

Truly, a feast for the eyes; and a feast of comfort for the tired feet, of which EVERYBODY IS INVITED TO PARTAKE.

Sole Agents for Douglas Shoes.

Same old place.

MERCER & EVANS CO.

mr 22 tf

[REGULAR SCHEDULE

CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS,

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

In Effect Feb. 20th, 1903.

LEAVE FRONT AND PRINCESS STREETS (For Wrightsville Beach.)

At *7.00 A. M., 10.00 A. M., *1.00 P. M., 3.00 P. M., 6.00 P. M. Saturday only †10.00 P. M.

LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH (For Wilmington.):

At *7.45 A. M., 11.45 A.M., †1.45 P.M., 5.05 P. M., 6.45 P. M.

LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE (For Wilmington.)

At *8.00 A. M., 10.00 M., 2.00 P. M., 5.00 P. M., 7.00 P. M. Saturday only 10.30 P. M.

*Daily except Sunday.

†Will not be run beyond Wrightsville except on request of Conductor.

Freight.

Received at Ninth and Orange streets from 4 to 5 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Saturday and Sunday if the weather is pleasant.

Suburban Line Cars

Will leave Front and Princess streets every half hour from 1:00 to 5:00 P. M., and returning leave Ocean View from 1:45 to 5:45 P. M.

C. R. L. & P. Co.

mr 15 tf

SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Schedule in Effect Jan. 11, 1903.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington at 4:20 P. M. arrives Fayetteville 6.56 P. M., Pembroke 7:20 P. M., Maxton 7.55 P. M., Hamlet 8.40 P. M.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Hamlet at 9:20 A. M., arrives Maxton 9.19 A. M., Pembroke 9.43 A. M., Lumberton 10 06 A. M., Wilmington 12.30 noon.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	8.50 a m	9.00 p m
Ar Monroe	10.32 a m	10.45 p m
Ar Charlotte	11.40 a m	11.50 p m
Ar Chester	12.01 p m	11.50 p m
Ar Greenwood	2.39 p m	2.05 a m
Ar Athens	5.19 p m	4.15 a m
Ar Atlanta	7.40 p m	6.15 a m

Close connection at Atlanta for Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and all points in Texas, Mexico and California; also for Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Western and Northwestern points.

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	5.00 a m	8.45 a m	9.30 p m
Ar Columbia	7.26 a m	11.58 a m	1.10 a m
Ar Savannah	9.45 a m	3.15 p m	4.55 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1.30 p m	7.40 p m	9.15 a m
Ar Tampa		6.45 a m	6.00 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet		10.25 p m	8.00 a m
Ar Raleigh		1.15 a m	11.10 a m
Ar Norlina		3.18 a m	1.25 p m
Ar Portsmouth		7.10 a m	5.35 p m
Ar Norfolk			
Lv Hamlet	10.25 p m	8.45 a m	12.09 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.15 a m	11.45 a m	2.30 a m
Ar Norlina	3.18 a m	1.35 p m	
Ar Petersburg	5.33 a m	4.09 p m	
Ar Richmond	6.10 a m	4.55 p m	6.40 a m
Ar Weldon	8.45 a m	6.35 p m	10.10 a m
Ar Baltimore	10.59 a m	11.28 p m	11.35 a m
Ar New York	3.18 p m	6.30 a m	4.15 p m

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and Southwest.

For tickets, Pullman reservations, etc., apply to Thomas D. Meares, General Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

an 13 tf

Commissioner's Sale of Real Estate.

John H. Gore, Jr., vs. Du Bruts Cutlar and Mechanics' Home Association.

By virtue of a decre of the Superior Court, in the above entitled action, the undersigned Commissioner will expose for sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1903, at 12 o'clock M., the following described property situate in the City of Wilmington, State of North Carolina, to-wit:

A lot, beginning at a point in the northern line of Market street 66feet eastwardly from its intersection with the eastern line of Tenth street, and running thence eastwardly along said northern line of Market street 33 feet; thence northwardly and parallel with Tenth street 140 feet, more or less, to the line of the old Newbern road; thence westwardly along the line of the old Newbern road 98 feet and thence southwardly, parallel with Tenth street 102 feet, more or less, to beginning; being parts of lots 3, 4 and 5, Block 174.

A lot beginning at a point in said northern line of Market street 180 feet eastwardly from its intersection of the eastern line of Tenth street, and running east along said northern line of Market street 34 feet; thence northwardly and parallel with Tenth street 150 feet, to a point in the Newbern road; thence westwardly with said road about 34 feet, and thence southwardly and parallel with Tenth street 147 feet, more or less, to the beginning; being part of lots 3, 4 and 5, Block 174.

JAMES W. SNEEDEN, Commissioner.

RUSSELL & GORE, Attorneys. mr 7 30t

Commissioner's Sale of Real Estate.

John H. Gore, Jr., vs. DuBruts Cutlar.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county in the above entitled action, the undersigned commissioner will expose for sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, on Monday, the 5th day of April, 1903, at 12 o'clock M., the following described property situate in the City of Wilmington, State of North Carolina, to wit:

Beginning at a point in the northern line of Campbell street 50 feet eastwardly from its intersection with the eastern line of Fourth street and running thence northwardly and parallel with Fourth street 130 feet, more or less, to the line of the right of way of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company; thence northeastwardly along and with said line of said right of way 66 feet, more or less, to the line of a lot of land claimed or owned by H. L. Debnam; thence southwardly along said line and parallel with Fourth street 136 feet, more or less, to the northern line of Campbell street 66 feet, to the beginning; being part of lots 4 and 5, Block 240.

JAMES W. SNEEDEN, Commissioner.

RUSSELL & GORE, Attorneys. mr 7 30t

"Hurds"

THE BEST WRITING PAPER MADE.

We keep also a full line of School Supplies.

ROBERT C. DeROSSET,

The Stationer,

mr 19 tf 107 Market St.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

LOW ROUND TRIP

Rates From Wilmington

Southern Baptist Convention, Savannah, Ga., May 7th-14th; Southern Educational Conference, Richmond, Va., April 20th-22nd. On account of above named occasions, the Atlantic Coast Line will sell round trip tickets from Wilmington at the following rates: Richmond, $10.40. Tickets on sale April 20th and 21st. Final limit, April 28th, 1903. Savannah, $9.80. Tickets sold May 4th to 7th, inclusive. Final limit May 20th, 1903. An extension of final limit to June 1st may be obtained by deposit of ticket and paying fifty (50) cents. Call on ticket agent for full information.

W. J. CRAIG,

Approved: Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. EMERSON,

Traffic Manager.

nov 15 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Jan. 11, 1903.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	9.30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12.21 p m	9.39 p m
Ar Wilson	1.15 p m	10.40 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1.56 p m	11.35 p m
Ar Norfolk	5.55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4.53 p m	1.45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6.04 p m	3.25 a m
Ar Richmond	7.45 p m	4.07 a m
Ar Washington	11.40 p m	7.54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.33 a m	9.10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4.08 a m	11.35 a m
Ar New York	7.15 a m	1.00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 141	No. 49
Lv New York	8.55 a m	9.25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11.30 a m	12.10 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.44 p m	3.27 a m
Ar Washington	2.50 p m	5.45 a m
Ar Norfolk		9.00 a m
Ar Richmond	6.56 p m	5.30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7.32 p m	9.15 a m
Ar Weldon	9.04 p m	11.32 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10.07 p m	12.50 p m
Ar Wilson	10.48 p m	1.46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	7.16 a m	2.55 p m
Ar Wilmington	10.10 a m	5.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6.00 a m	8.45 p m	7.00 p m
Ar Florence	9.25 a m	11.30 p m	9.55 a m†
Ar Charleston	1.10 p m	11.15 p m	5.45 a m
Ar Savannah	6.35 p m	3.00 a m	7.55 a m
Ar Jacksonville		9.00 a m	12.45 p m
Ar Tampa		7.00 p m	10.00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Tampa		8.00 a m	9.30 a m
Ar Jacksonville		7.30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Savannah		1.10 p m	1.15 a m
Ar Charleston		5.15 p m	6.25 a m
Ar Florence		8.00 p m	9.45 a m
Ar Wilmington		11.45 p m	1.40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.		East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9.10 a m	Ar.	8.00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12.20 p m	Ar.	5.00 p m
Ar Sanford	1.50 p m	Lv.	3.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday.		South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2.32 p m	Ar.	12.08 p m
Ar Newbern	5.40 p m	Lv.	9.00 a m

†Via Wilson.

Trains Nos. 40 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager

jy 21 tf

Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21 1900. at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 23	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 42	3 50	Newbern	9 37	9 00
7 08	7 07	Morehead City	7 32	7 37
P.M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.43 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 4.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & W. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 21 tf S. L. DILL, Sup't.

The Clyde Steamship Co

New York,

Wilmington, N. C., and Georgetown, S. C., Lines.

From New York for Wilmington.

GEO. W. CLYDE.....Saturday, March 21
CARIB.....Saturday, March 28

From Wilmington for New York.

CARIB.....Saturday, March 21
GEO. W. CLYDE.....Saturday, March 28

From Wilmington for Georgetown.

CARIB.....Tuesday, March17
GEO. W. CLYDE.....Tuesday, March 24

Steamship Carib has good passenger accommodation.

Through Bills Lading and Lowest Through Rates guaranteed to and from points in North and South Carolina.

For freight and passage apply to

H. G. SMALLBONES, Supt., Wilmington, N. C.

CLIDE MILNE, Gen'l Freight Agent.

THEO. G. EGER, Gen'l Manager.

WM. P. CLYDE & Co., Gen'l Agents, 19 State Street, New York.

mr 16 tf.

Lands Posted.

The privilege of hunting on my lands near Wilmington having been leased, all persons are hereby warned against shooting, hunting, ranging or otherwise trespassing on said lands.

no 1 tf S. W. NOBLE.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 26

ARNOLD STOCK COMPANY COMING.

All Next Week at the Academy—"The Blue and the Gray"

The Academy will be open every night next week, offering the Arnold Stock Company at popular prices. The engagement will commence Monday night and will be one of the most successful, from an artistic standpoint, that the theatre has offered this season in repertoire attractions. The company is one of the strongest, if not the strongest, on the road and numbers sixteen players. This week it is playing in Savannah and will come direct from that city to Wilmington.

The Jacksonville (Fla.) *Times-Union* recently said;

"'Please not one class, but the entire public,' is the motto that was adopted years ago by J. F. Arnold, of the Arnold Stock Company at Burbridge's New Theatre and if the presentation of 'In Honor Bound,' as given last night, is the standard by which Arnold goes, then his performances are in keeping with his motto.

"The Arnold Stock Company is composed of hard-working, conscientious performers, and 'In Honor Bound' was put on last night without a hitch, and pleased one of the largest audiences ever gathered in the New Theatre, the audience being stacked up up against the rear wall, with the S. R. O. sign in a prominent place.

"The work of J. J. MacDonald, Walter Lacy, Miss Glover and Miss Bower was especially good, while too much cannot be said of the specialty work of Foster Ball. His act of playing a piano while standing on his head, and dancing on top and around the piano, is one that would be a winner on any big vaudeville circuit. The Desmond trio do a good stunt, and the baby made a hit."

The beautiful military drama, "The Blue and the Gray," will be presented Monday night and every lady accompanied by the holder of a paid 30-cent ticket will be admitted free. Seats will be on sale at Plummer's Saturday morning.

THE CAMPAIGN FOR EDUCATION.

It Will Be Continued by Governor Aycock and Others—Plan Outlined.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 25.—Governor Aycock, State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. Y. Joyner and Dr. Chas. D. McIver, constituting the executive committee of the North Carolina Educational Conference, held a meeting to-day regarding the proposed educational campaign for the coming Summer and Fall. They prepared a circular letter to all county superintendents, asking for information as to the sentiment in their counties, regarding local taxation, consolidation of school districts, improvements of school houses, etc., the special purpose being to ascertain the best localities for concentrating the agitation on these subjects to the best advantage. As soon as this information is procured the campaign will be mapped out as was the case last Summer A number of prominent men in public life as well as those engaged in teaching have volunteered their services for the campaign, their expenses to be paid by the Southern Educational Board.

Prof. E. C. Brooks, of Monroe, will be in charge of the campaign, arranging dates for the various speakers and public meetings.

The Tabernacle Baptist church tonight extended a unanimous call to Rev. Jasper C. Massee, now pastor of the First Baptist church at Mansfield, Ohio, to become pastor to succeed Rev. W. D. Hubbard, resigned. Rev. Massee is a native of Georgia, a graduate of Mercer College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The church has assurances that he will accept.

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT.

A Number of Officials to be Given Opportunity to Resign.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—It was learned at the Postoffice Department to-day that while the resignation of George W. Beavers, as chief of the salary and allowance division, was voluntary, it is but the forerunner of a number of other resignations which soon are to follow. It is said that a condition of affairs has grown up in the department which has become intolerable, and that a number of chiefs of divisions and clerks will be given an opportunity to submit their resignations. As a result of this announcement there is more or less consternation among the employes in the department, it being understood that the decision to weed out a number of officials has been definitely determined upon.

CORBETT-McGOVERN.

Denial of Report That It Has Been Fixed for Corbett to Win the Fight.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—A report having been received from Milwaukee that the Corbett-McGovern fight which is scheduled to take place in this city next Tuesday evening has been "fixed" for Corbett to win in the seventh round, both the fighters indignantly deny that there has been any agreement whatever between them, except that they are to fight for the championship and to do their best. The backers and managers loudly disclaim any attempt at "fixing" the contest. Sam Harris is ready to back McGovern to the extent of $10,000.

Mrs. John T. Griffin, w dow of a planter who was shot and killed Monday, presumably by negroes, at Eatonton, Ga., was arrested yesterday on suspicion of complicity in the murder. Mrs. Griffin's nephew, a young man named Knowles, is also held in connection with the crime.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds and Piles it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

FLOOD SITUATION AT VICKSBURG.

Believed the Rich Yazoo Delta Will Be Spared the Calamity of an Overflow.

THE RIVER AT A STANDSTILL.

Fear That Railroad Communication Will Be Entirely Severed—Tracks for Miles Under Water, With Tide Rising—Break at Natchez.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

VICKSBURG, MISS., March 25—Another day of fair weather combined with a diminished rate of rise in the river has raised high hopes in the hearts of the dwellers behind the levees in this section. While danger is not yet passed, it is now believed that the rich Yazoo delta will be spared the calamity of an overflow. The river here came to a standstill yesterday evening at 51.4 and has remained stationary all day. This is a foot lower than the 1897 record.

The most serious feature just now is the danger that rail communication to the north will be entirely severed. For ten miles north of the Yazoo bridge the Yazoo and Mississippi valley tracks are from a foot to eighteen inches under water with the tide steadily rising. General Manager Harahan went to the overflowed territory to-day but could see no way out of the difficulty. If train service is suspended it means much distress as the people living in that territory will have no means of getting supplies.

NATCHEZ, MISS., March 25.—A break in the private levee at The Briers, one of the best plantations in the county, located about twenty-one miles below this city has flooded that place which is now from four to five feet under water. A messenger was dispatched to Natchez for the steamer Joseph to assist in rescuing the stock, some one hundred head having been endangered. There are also five thousand sacks of cotton seed on the ground under a shed and it is feared all this will be lost.

Adjoining plantations will not be affected by this break as they have been under water for almost two weeks.

Reports from Sycamore Levee that it is sure to hold continue to come, but no chances will be taken and large gangs of men are working on it night and day. The river here has risen two-tenths in the twelve hours ending at 8 A. M., since which time it has been stationary.

MEMPHIS, TENN., March 25.—The river to-night is falling at a fair rate, the gauge showing 38 9 feet, a fall of two-tenths since 6 o'clock this morning. The situation is rapidly assuming normal proportions and all anxiety is practically over. Some uneasiness is still felt for the St. Francis levees in Arkansas to the north of this city, but all news from that section is of a reassuring character.

No trains have yet succeeded in getting over the tracks a few miles west of Bridge Junction. It is now thought possible that Memphis may remain cut of from the west for another day. The Iron Mountain attempted to run a train west this morning, but found that the track, which had been damaged at different points, was not sufficiently repaired for passage.

TO INSPECT MILITIA.

Regular Army Officers to be Detailed for That Purpose.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Secretary Root has decided to detail regular army officers to inspect the militia organization of all the States and territories as a preliminary step to the issue of Krag Jorgansen muskets in exchange for the Springfield muskets with which they are now armed and has telegraphed the adjutants general of all the States and territories asking them to name dates for inspection.

COLLIDED IN A FOG.

British Steamer and a Four-Masted Schooner Off the Delaware Capes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DELAWARE BREAKWATER, March 25.—British steamer Lord Iveagh from Glasglow, reports was in collision during the dense fog with a four-masted schooner, supposed to be the Anna P. Pendleton, from Norfolk, which left here yesterday bound east. The steamer had fore-rigging and bridge carried away. Damage if any to schooner not reported.

WARM WIRELETS.

Two men were killed and one severely wounded by a boiler explosion in a box factory at Louisville, Ky., last night.

The American Tobacco Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent. on its preferred stock and a dividend of 3 per cent. on its common stock.

The general strike of the Textile operatives at Lowell, Mass., will probably go into effect Monday unless their demand for a ten per cent. increase is granted.

Frank M. Steinhart is to he appointed consul general at Havana, succeeding Mr. Lee, who will be appointed consul general at Vienna. Mr. Steinheart is a resident of Illinois.

Attorney General Knox has returned to Washington from a short vacation spent at Palm Beach, Fla. Secretary Shaw also has returned from a trip through the South.

The Navy Department has made public a statement to the effect that the North Atlantic squadron would not visit Germany this Summer, as has been suggested in some quarters.

Fire, of unknown origin which broke out in Rochester, N. Y., last night, completely gutted one structure and caused heavy damage to the adjoining buildings. The total loss is estimated at $258,000.

Commander Erwin Schaeder, naval attache of the Imperial German Embassy at Washington, has been ordered to Newport News, Va., to arrange for the docking of the German warship Gazelle, which will arrive there in a few days from Venezuelan waters.

Three men in an automobile yesterday attempted to ride up the steps at the east front of the capitol in Washington. The reached the second landing, sixteen steps from the street, when the chain of the vehicle broke and it ran back, but without accident. The chaffeur was arrested, but later released on ten dollars collateral.

The one great virtue of Burnett's Vanilla Extract is purity. It is real vanilla extract and nothing but vanilla extract. Always use Burnett's.

SENSATIONAL SUICIDE IN A HOTEL AT PARIS.

Maj. Gen. Sir Hector McDonald of British Army, Against Whom Charges of Immorality Were Made.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, March 25.—Major General Sir Hector MacDonald, commanding the British forces in Ceylon, and one of the foremost of British officers, against whom charges based on immorality were filed some time ago, committed suicide to-day at the Hotel Regina here. He shot himself in the right temple shortly after noon, and expired a few minutes later. The general was alone in his small chamber on the Mezzanine floor at the time of the tragedy. One of the female attendants heard the pistol shot and opening the door saw the general's figure streiched out on the floor with the blood gushing from a bullet wound in the head. She ran screaming to the balcony over-looking the lobby of the hotel where many guests, including a number of ladies, were assembled. The proprietor of the hotel was the first to reach the expiring man. The commissary of police was notified and accompanied by a doctor, proceeded to a preliminary examination. Two notes written in English were found lying on a table in his room and these were taken possession of by the authorities, but it is understood that their contents have no bearing on the suicide. In the general's coat, lying on the bed, were found some photographs. The British embassy and consulate were notified later and Consul General Ingles visited the hotel and took charge of the body.

Sir Hector MacDonald arrived in Paris last Friday evening from London, on his way back to Ceylon, where it was understood that an immediate court martial would be held to clear up the charges made against him. On reaching the hotel at 11 o'clock at night, he was told that only a small and indifferent room was available. He was not accompanied by any aide-de-camp or a valet. He said he only intended to stay a day or two in Paris. Little was seen of him since his arrival. He was, however, in the lobby this morning about noon and it is believed that a newspaper printed in English containing a resume of the grave charges brought against him and embellished with the general's portrait in full uniform came under his attention. He left the lobby, going to his room, and the pistol shot followed soon afterward.

The general's suicide has profoundly shocked the British officials here. Those about the hotel who had conversed with Sir Hector MacDonald recently say he showed no signs of excitement or mental worry.

BURDICK MURDER INQUEST.

District Attorney Expects to Wind It Up at Noon To-day—No Developments of Importance Expected.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 25.—District Attorney Coatsworth said to-day that he expected to wind up the inquest into the Burdick murder by noon tomorrow. The hearing will be resumed to-morrow morning.

"Have you discovered any new evidence?" he was asked.

"We have brought out at this inquest everything that we have," replied Mr. Coatsworth. "The public knows now as much about the case as the authorities. Nothing of importance has developed lately that we did not know before the inquest began."

Mr. Coatsworth said he knew nothing concerning a plot alleged to have been concocted by Pennell to entrap Burdick by using a woman as a lure and thereby prevent Burdick from pressing the divorce suit against his wife.

Asked if the case would go before the grand jury, Mr. Coatsworth said: "It depends upon Judge Murphy's action. If he issues a warrant for any known person, or for John Doe and Jane Roe, it will have to go before the grand jury."

The Pennell Tragedy.

Since the name of Arthur R. Pennell became so prominent in the Burdick inquest the authorities have been accumulating evidence bearing upon the death of Pennell and his wife, resulting from the plunge of their automobile from Kensington avenue into Gebres' quarry. It is likely that an inquest into the death of the Pennells will follow the Burdick inquest. In tracing the movements of the Pennells on the evening of the trip, the police have learned much.

During the hour and ten minutes of that drive four interesting incidents that seem to be well substantiated took place. A fifth incident, the alleged act of Mrs. Pennell in emptying a small flask of whiskey and throwing the bottle away, seems to have the shadow of a doubt cast upon it, although Jacob Geiger, a laborer, who says he witnessed the incident, positively avers it is so.

The first incident is the riding of the automobile up and down in front of Frank Geiger's farm house at the corner of Bailey and Kensington avenues, slower than a person would walk and in a pouring rain for about half an hour.

The second incident was the stop at George Volk's saloon, on Kensington avenue, where Volk says Pennell bought a glass of whiskey and took another glass of the same liquor to his wife. Volk's mother lived next door to the Pennell home, on Cleveland avenue, and she is therefore well acquainted with Pennell.

The third incident was a repetition of the Bailey avenue loitering and manoeuvering at the corner of Kensington avenue and Grieger street for five or ten minutes at the same snail like pace and in the same drenching rain.

The fourth incident, the last feature of the drive aside from the tragedy itself, is the strangest, if not the most significant of all. This is the incident of the Pennell's letting down the canopy or top of the machine, so that they were exposed to the heavy downpour of rain. This happened two or three minutes before the automobile took its final plunge.

FIRE AT TORONTO

Opera House Burned—The Total Loss Over $150,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TORONTO, ONT., Mar. 25—The Toronto Opera House was burned to-day. The estimated loss is $150,000. The fire is supposed to have originated from electric wires in the box office. Sullivan, Harris and Woods, the proprietors of the "King of Detectives" Company, lost all their scenery and costumes. They place their loss at $10,000 to $12,000.

The severe Coughing-wheezing and whooping cough or Croup so common in the months of February and March are safely and quickly relieved by use of Anways Croup Syrup. This remedy is made for children and should not be confounded with the common cough remedies. R. R. BELLAMY sells Anways. †

LONG ANTICIPATED IRISH LAND BILL.

A Measure Expected to Promote Peace and Contentment in Ireland.

IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The Bill Passed Its First Reading—A Great Gathering of Distinguished Persons—The Lobbies Packed With Impatient Irishmen.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 25.—The Irish secretary, Mr. Wyndham, introduced the government's long anticipated Irish land bill in the House of Commons this afternoon. It proposes a grant of $60,000,000 for the purpose of the bill. Tenants are to pay 3½ per cent. interest on loans from the government. Mr. Wyndham said he thought the scheme would not involve $500,000,000, but that $750,000,000 could safely be advanced on Irish land. The advances to tenants are limited to $3,500 in the congested districts, and $5,000 elsewhere. The bill also provides that untenanted farms and grazing lands shall be sold to neighboring tenants and that three commissioners to be known as Estate Commissioners, shall supervise the sales. They will be under the general control of the lord lieutenant of Ireland. The bill will become effective November 1st.

The keen interest felt in this new legislation, which it is hoped will promote peace and contentment in Ireland, was shown by the crowded house. The Peers' gallery and the distinguished strangers' gallery were filled and there has been no such gathering of members of Parliament since the opening of the session. In the diplomatic gallery sat United States Secretary Henry White, an interested spectator, while almost every Irish peer listened to Mr. Wyndham's exposition of the bill. From an early hour this morning, the stone benches from the House of Commons entrance to the doors of the lobby were packed with impatient Irishmen, among whom were many priests. Most of these went away without seeing even the inside of the legislative chamber, the galleries of which were crowded as has not been the case for many a day.

Michael Davitt, the "Father" of the Land League, celebrated his 57th birthday by re-entering the House for the first time since he ceased to be a member, in order to hear the chief secretary for Ireland unfold his plans.

For the most part the Liberal members sat glum, the applause coming from the Irish benches. A hush of expectation fell on the assembly as John Redmond, the Irish leader, rose to speak. If he refused to countenance the bill, its death, and perhaps even the government downfall, was decreed. When the galleries of the House found him sympathetic and non-committal, a feeling of relief pervaded all sides. What Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, the Liberal leader, and others said, had little effect. Even T. W. Russell, who with others criticised the details and various omissions in Mr. Wyndham's plan, wound up with a guttural and reluctant admission that "it is a great bill."

The passage of the first reading of the bill was followed by a rush to the lobby, where ensued scenes that might well make the ghost of Parnell turn in his grave. The tall form of Lord Dudley, lord lieutenant of Ireland, could be seen amidst a crowd of Nationalists, who scarcely a year ago would rather have suffered every penalty than associate with the official head of the Irish government. Beside Lord Dudley stood the grizzled little Sir Anthony McDonnell, the first national assistant Irish secretary. Horace Plunkett, Lord Ivagh, Lord Ashbourne, and many Unionist members joined the group. The Duke of Abercorn, the most powerful landlord in Ireland, asked to be introduced to John Redmond, and a mutual friend brought the duke to the leader of the Nationalist party, with whom the leader of the Irish landlords heartily shook hands, and they patched up the peace of Ireland over the House of Commons refreshment bar.

The second reading was set for April 22nd.

The opinion expressed in the lobby of the House of Commons was generally favorable to the land bill and pointed to the probability of its being accepted in principle by all the parties. It produced in the House a feeling of intense satisfaction. John Redmond, the Duke of Abercorn and Lord Dunraven all agreed in saying Mr. Wyndham had made a genuine effort to settle Ireland's troubles on the lines of the Dublin conference. They pointed out, however, that many details must be minutely discussed and perhaps altered before the bill is accepted.

PRESIDENT CASTRO

Has Withdrawn His Resignation of the Presidency of Venezuela.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CARACAS, Tuesday, March 24.—After reading his special message to Congress to-day, General Castro withdrew his resignation of the Presidency of Venezuela.

President Castro's special message was delivered to Congress this afternoon. He says:

"When I abdicated it was not from any small-minded nor interested calculation, still less was it the result of any sorry or ridiculous farce which has no place in a heart warmed by the heat of great ideals."

When it was known he had not resigned, a popular demonstration took place.

SUNK IN COLLISION.

Schooner Mary E. Morse Run Down by a Steamer—Crew Saved.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

VINEYARD HAVEN, MASS., March 25.—The loss of the big schooner Mary E. Morse, bound from Port Royal, S. C., to New York, with lumber, as the result of a collision at sea yesterday with the Philadelphia and Boston steamer Parthian, was signalled to the tug Storm King by the Parthian as it passed Vineyard Haven today. The Parthian had on board the crew of the schooner and the signals indicated that the collision occurred off Egg Harbor, N. J., at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. The Parthian sustained injuries to her stem and was leaking, but her damage was not serious.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. O. Shepard.

REVOLUTIONISTS CAPTURE SAN DOMINGO CITY.

Two of the Three War Vessels of the Government in Their Possession. Attempt to Recapture Capitol.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SAN DOMINGO, REPUBLIC OF SAN DOMINGO, March 24.—The inhabitants of this city were again thrown into a state of alarm this afternoon by the fact that further fighting is taking place at San Carlos, near here.

A commission has left San Domingo for Azeua and Barahona, on the warship Independencia, in order to bring about the surrender of those places.

The warship Colon has left here for San Pedro de Macoris in order to compel that town to surrender.

MONTE CRISTO, March 25.—The advices received here from San Domingo show that General Alejandro Woay Gil and his revolutionary followers are masters of San Domingo city, and it said that General Miguel Pichardo, the minister of war, and General Juan Francisco Sanchez, the minister of foreign affairs, who had sought refuge in the United States consulate, surrendered themselves last night to the revolutionists, with a small group of followers.

The revolutionists are in possession of two of the three Dominican war vessels, namely, the cruiser Independencia and the gunboat Colon.

General Horacio Vasquez, the president of Santo Domingo, left Porto Plata, on the northern coast of Santo Domingo, yesterday, for Sanchez, on board the Dominican cruiser Presidente, the only war vessel remaining in the hands of the government. It is believed that President Vasquez intends to make an attack on San Domingo in conjunction with General Luis Maria Hernandez, the governor of San Pedro de Macoris, who has left that city in order to gather recruits for the government forces. If the capital is attacked a stubborn resistance is expected on the part of the revolutionists.

Several skirmishes have taken place in this vicinity and the government forces have lost considerable quantities of ammunition, arms and provisions. In addition, about twenty government soldiers have been killed and a number wounded.

To Cure a Cold In One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. This Signature E. W. Grove on every box. 25c

BUSINESS LOCALS.

NOTICE For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found, Wants, and other short Miscellaneous Advertisements inserted in this Department, in solid Nonpariel Type, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 20 cents. Terms positively cash in advance.

Advertisements in this Department bring good results. feb 14 tf

Board Wanted—By a gentleman at six dollars a week, near Orange street as possible. Address Boarder, care STAR office. mr 26 1*

The Ladies of Grace Church will give an entertainment in the annex on Thursday evening, March 28th, beginning at 8 o'clock. There will be both vocal and instrumental music by some of the best talent in the city. Refreshments will be served. Admission 10c. mr 25 2t

Competent Book-keeper wanted at once. Good salary. Address F. O. Box 429. mr 21 tf

For Sale Cheap—House and lot, bath and water works. Address C, care STAR. mr 20 1m

A Nice Souvenir is given to each lady who visits the Crescent Pharmacy, 117 Princess street. mr 13 tf

Wall Paper—A full supply of all grades and designs constantly on hand. Call and make your selections at No. 8½ North Second street. H. J. Gruman. mr 8 1m.

Offices for rent in The Worth Building—the most convenient business location in the city. Modern equipment. Apply to The Worth Co. feb 18 tf

Wanted—Intelligent man to call on business, and professional men. Permanent position and good pay. Manager, Box 78, Philadelphia. feb 17 1m

Cabbage, Cabbage—Just received. Car of fine Danish Cabbage. Also Bananas, Apples, Sweet and Irish Potatoes, Butter, &c. Both 'Phones. A. B. Winstead. feb 8 tf

Sewing Machines, Typewriters, Organs and Furniture repaired, cleaned and revarnished; Upholstering done also. H. J. Gruman's headquarters for Wall Paper. J. S. Farrar, No. 8½ North Second street. my 16 tf

Sick Room Comfort.

Hot Water Bottles, Atomisers and all the various appliances which add so much to the comfort of the sufferer and aid to his cure. We make a specialty of such goods and carry a complete line for you to select from. You can telephone and we will send right out whatever you need. Some of the Hot Water Bottles we sell are guaranteed for two years.

HARDIN'S

Palace Pharmacy,

126 South Front Street.

feb 25 tf

FURNITURE

That is made right and sold right.

That is the kind we keep.

GASTON D. PHARES & CO.,

The Furniture Man.

110-112 Market St. Inter-State 78.

mr 19 tf

Plummer's Ice Cream.

Any Kind and Any Time.

Best in the city. Now always on hand and furnished instanter.

mr 25 tf 264 Princess street.

Maxton Building and Loan Association,

MAXTON N. C

DIRECTORS:

J. D. CROOM, MAXTON.
ED. MORAE, MAXTON.
A. J. MCKINNON, MAXTON.
G. B. PATTERSON, MAXTON.
J. B. WEATHERLY, MAXTON.
W. H. BERNARD, WILMINGTON.
M. G. MCKENZIE, MAXTON.

Initiation fee, 25 cents per share. Subscriptions to stock payable in weekly instalments of 25 cents per share. The management is prudent and economical as is shown by the fact that the Association has sustained no losses, and its annual expenses, including taxes, are only about Two Hundred D. CROOM President.

J. W Murchison & Co.

AMONGST OUR TOOLS

none are below a standard which will compare favorably with that of goods sold at equal prices by any other house in the trade. Soft metal tools are useless at any price and we handle none of them. These goods are on a par with all other articles in our

HARDWARE

stock and those who like a really good article at a nominal price should buy here. mr 8 tf

Sole Selling Agent

—FOR—

CUBAN BLOSSOM AND RENOWN,

Geo. W. Child's Cigars.

Conceded by all smokers as the best 5c Cigars on the market. Also carry a full line of

Cubanola and Cameo Cigars,

Old Virginia and War Eagle Cheroots.

MATCH IT CHEROOTS.

MEAL, CORN, OATS AND HAY.

Solicit your orders.

H. L. VOLLERS,

Atlantic Coast Line Crossing.

feb 22 tf

"IT'S AN ILL WIND"

That blows no one good. We have overstocked ourselves with FLOUR and must get our money back. We make the price and you do the buying—our loss, your gain—inspection invited. Our "Harvest Queen" brand can be found in best Grocery Stores. More bread and better bread, too, can be made from. A good many people must think it the best, as sales are continually on the increase. Try it once; it's a winner.

The F. E. Hashagen Co.

219 North Water St. 'Phone 447.

Sell only to Merchants. mr 22 tf

Seed Potatoes

JANUARY ARRIVAL.

EARLY ROSE,

WHITE BLISS,

POLARIS, BOVEE.

All early varieties and adapted to this soil and climate.

Spring Oats, Wheat.

Book your orders.

THE WORTH CO.,

jan 9 tf Wilmington, N. C.

The Only Restaurant,

Our Restaurant Has Made a Reputation!

There are thousands of people in this city who when they think of our Restaurant think of a quiet and cozy place where the food is excellent, the service prompt and the prices moderate. It is now an assured success.

Orders for Plants, Floral Designs, Cut Flowers, Bouquets, &c., filled promptly and at reasonable prices

CHARLES ANDERSON & CO.

Telephone 713. jan 3 tf

A Complete Line Groceries

samples furnished on application.

SAM'L BEAR, SR., & SONS,

Wilmington, N. C.

ma 5 tf 19 Market street

MAINE GROWN

Seed Potatoes

Genuine Pride of the South (White Bliss,) the best Seed. Send in your orders.

HALL & PEARSALL.

Incorporated.

feb 19 tf

New Goods! New Goods!! BY THE CAR-LOAD.

Our buyers, Mr. Geo. O. Gaylord with Miss Alma Brown, have been in the market for the past few weeks and have visited the cities of Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York.

Our large Spring Stock has already begun to come in, and we will quote a few prices. Our Spring Millinery Stock will be much larger this Spring than ever before. We have bought largely for the reason that we want enough stock to take care of the wholesale as well as the retail trade. In Wash Goods for the ladies we will have the greatest quantity to show, anywhere from 5c. to 35c. per yard. In fine white Imported Madras, the most beautiful goods of its kind we have ever had, we will sell at 22, 25, 35 and 38c. per yard. Some beautiful White Dimities at 18c. per yard. White Lawns and India Linens from 5c. to 25c. per yard. We bought one case of Joulard Ducks in shorts that we will sell at 7½c. per yard; they would be cheap at 10c.

Our beautiful pattern Hats have begun to arrive and we will announce our opening in a few days. Miss Alma Brown spent three weeks in the Northern markets selecting the latest and most fashionable things in Ladies' Headwear. We have a very nice line of ready-to-wear Hats that we picked up, all worth $1 50; we are selling them at 79, 85 and 90c each A large quantity of fine broad-brim, up-to-date Sailors' Hats, that would be cheap at 50c.; we will sell at 29c. each.

A special drive in Chiffon Hats for the opening season. Hats that are worth $1 25, we can sell for 69c. A special drive of a few dozen only.

A big stock of Windsor Ties bought at about half price. Nice Ties, full size and full length, at 4c, 7c, 10c, 12½ and 19c each. The 19c line are all silk and the latest styles; about 50 dozen of them.

Several big lots of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Sample Belts to close out at away under the price.

New Spring Goods: 1,600 yards pretty Spring Percales in short lengths that would be cheap at 10c, our price is 7c. One case of 3,000 yards picked up in Calico that we will sell at 4c per yard. The best quality of Apron Ginghams in short lengths at 7c per yard. A big lot of Awning Ducks in fast colors at 12½c and 15c per yard; 280 pieces, all colors. No. 50 Ribbon in bright, pretty colors we will sell at 7c per yard. 132 dozen large showy fine roses, price 25c, now half price, 12c. 40 dozen fine rubber stem roses, French goods, cheap at 25c, our price, 15c a bunch. 66 dozen of new shapes in Ladies' Hats that we will sell for 15c, 20c and 25c each.

The days for our opening we are not able to announce yet—but be sure to see Gaylord's Hats before buying elsewhere. We guarantee to show you twice as many and at half the price. Our Pattern Hats, we think are beautiful. Miss Brown took great care in selecting these goods and she will be pleased to show them to you.

We have one special drive in linen finished Batiste—same goods that sold last season for 25c per yard we will now offer you for 11c per yard.

In a dotted Swiss, we have something very pretty at 12c per yard.

In White French Swiss, 60 inches wide, we will sell at 35c yard.

Our store will be filled to the ceiling when our stock comes in—our goods will be new and pretty and we guarantee the price to be as cheap as any one. We are still selling yard wide Bleaching at 4½c per yard and Old Glory Bleaching at 7c, and many other things that is pretty and cheap at the

Wilmington's Big Racket Store,

G. O. Gaylord, Prop.

P. S.—Be sure and look out for our opening. mr 22 tf

Ready For Business.

A. D. BROWN --AT-- 114 Market St.

Having located in my temporary quarters for a few months until the completion of my old stand I would announce that my Spring and Summer stock is here, and every day something new arriving. I am now prepared to serve the public and ask for a full share of patronage. And in resuming business and extending a line of credit it will be necessary for all OLD BILLS to be settled. This rule will be adopted in every instance.

We have the newest novelties of the season, such as Silk Piques, Neckwear, Laces of all kinds, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Antique Clune Laces, all-over Laces, Foulard Calicos, Ginghams, Cambrics, Percales, everything that is kept in a first-class Dry Goods House.

Agent for Butterick's Patterns.

Agent for American Lady Corset.

A. D. BROWN.

mr 22 tf

LISTEN!

We claim that the COAL we are selling is as good as any Domestic soft COAL sold on this market. Try it and you will find it so.

Our Price Is $5.00 Per Ton.

When you pay more, you are out the difference for looks.

Weight Guaranteed.

Give us your orders and save money.

Wm. E. Worth & Co.

Phones—Bell 94. Inter-State 146. feb 11 tf

$30,000.00 Paid Out

To depositors in interest within the past twelve months. The rate was 4 per cent. per annum, compounded every three months. Your money will be received by us on the same terms. If deposited on or before April 1st, it will bear interest from that date. All amounts subject to check without notice.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

108 Princess Street.

J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.

mr 17 tf C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

$300,000.00 TO LOAN

At reasonable rates to our customers. Any one considering opening a bank account will do well to call on or write to

The Atlantic National Bank,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Deposits exceed in volume those of any bank in North Carolina.

feb 22 tf